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The Prince's Inherited Taste: Divided Views In Cabinet: Our Defenders: New Peers Take Their Seats: The Soldier's Bed

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LAWN TENNIS PROFES- SIONALISM

London, March 19.
I doubt whether the movement in the United States to have open lawn-tennis tournaments will find much support in Europe. A referendum of the principal players in America has shown an overwhelming majority for abolishing the barriers which at present separate the professionals from the amateurs.

The success of the Vines-Tilden matches, out of which the players are said to have netted the comfortable sum of £5,200 each, not to mention £2,600 for the promoter of the tour, has no doubt had its influence.

There is also unrest in the American tennis world owing to the fact that the Davis Cup, with all its attendant prestige, has of late years shown a partiality for Europe. Americans have not forgotten that they held it from 1920 to 1928.

On this side of the Atlantic the experience of tennis stars turned professional is that they have thereby lost their hold on the public.

THE PRINCE'S INHERITED TASTE

The Prince of Wales takes after his grandfather in his delight in new experiences, shown by his description of his flight in snowstorms to Birmingham.

King Edward dearly loved the excitement of a fire. Sixty-nine years ago he was present at the disastrous fire, due to a gas explosion, at Saville House, Leicester-square, on the site of which the Empire now stands.

The Prince (as he then was), accompanied by the Duke of Sutherland and Viscount Amberley, the father of Mr. Bertrand Russell, appeared early on the scene. Donning a fireman's helmet, he viewed the furnace from various points, including Stag and Mantle's premises next door.

Curiously enough, he was recognised by very few people in the enormous crowds that flocked to the scene.

DIVIDED VIEWS IN CABINET

I understand that at least one member of the Cabinet did not wholly subscribe to the decision to assist the new Cunard-White Star Co. to the extent proposed.

M.P.s generally welcome the resumption of work on the Cunarder. When the Government's proposals are submitted for the approval of the House, however, there will be criticism of the policy of building such huge ships. Objection will be also taken to the omission of any provision for the direct representation of the Treasury on the board of the new company.

OUR DEFENDERS

The rivalry between the British Navy and the Air Force champions is a heartening thing. They vie with each other in their desire to become Britain's chief protection.

I heard Admiral Thursfield and General Groves debate this subject at the Empire Crusade Club, in Aldford-street last night.

The General contended that now we had sunk to sixth, air power enemy airplanes could not only destroy London, but could starve us by bombing merchant ships.

The Admiral argued that bombers could fly only at a radius of 500 miles from their base: the Navy would have to protect trade routes outside that area.

"I quite agree," said the General, "but what is the good of convoying the food ships only to have them up in port?"

In the general debate that followed a high standard of speaking was maintained, and it was agreed that what Britain really needs is a strong Navy and a strong Air Force.

NEW PEERS TAKE THEIR SEATS

Two new peers—Lord Eltlesley, formerly Sir Douglas Newton, M.P., and Lord Elton, formerly Mr. Geoffrey Elton—were introduced and took the oath in the House of Lords yesterday. The Bishop of Blackburn (Dr. P. M. Herbert) was also introduced and took the oath.

Lieutenant Commander R. L. Tufnell, the newly elected Conservative member for Cambridge, was introduced and took his seat in the House of Commons yesterday. He was loudly cheered by supporters of the Government.

THE SOLDIER'S BED

What an unevenly arranged world it is, to be sure! Even while it is the harsh and uncompanionable ambition of the Bishop of Exeter, in the House of Lords, to add compulsory church attendance to the horrors of penal servitude, away in the less enlightened regions of the House of Commons Colonel I. Sandeman Allen intends to ask the War Office whether it "contemplates changing the old iron bedsteads and hard, biscuit mattresses at present in use in barracks for more modern types."

It is true, of course, that the people at Dartmoor are desperate characters who have done their best to invite what Sydney Smith called being "preached to death by wild curates," or, any other severity that may be properly included in the penal code; it is true, also, that in a sense nothing can be too good for the gallant defenders of this island realm. But what sort of beds are they to have in barracks? Box-mattresses on divans? Inlaid walnut, or art-metal in the newest style? And can quartermaster sergeants be trusted to choose the right shade of bedspreads or company sergeant majors to see that they are turned down properly when they tuck each man in at "Lights out?"

Above all things, should we not be running a distinct risk of widespread insomnia when the warriors leave barracks? The poor things won't be able to sleep a wink when they have to arrange themselves on a palliasses stuffed with straw—or bivoque on the bare ground.

MAROONED SHIP WRECKED CREW

Heroic Attempts At Rescue

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright.))

Moscow, Mar. 18.

Death caused by blizzards and cracking ice at an increasing velocity against the concentrated rescue forces of the Soviet nation who are fighting for the lives of the shipwrecked crew of the Tseliuskin marooned far above the Arctic Circle for nearly a month.

The last message from the heroic party of castaways was received last Sunday and contained the news that a portion of landing space cleared on the ice pack for the aeroplane rescuers split off before the force of the coming storm.

Further radio communication was smothered beneath the subsequent blizzard whose strength also prevented the squadron of giant planes ordered from the far east to the rescue workers' base at Chavarovsk.

The most powerful Russian ice-breaker, the Krassin, hurried out of the repair dock in Kronstadt in the Bay of Finland, in the hope that after a two to three weeks journey round Scandinavia they may possibly be in time to aid in the efforts of rescue.

The Government have now placed at the disposal of the rescue staff two single motored non-rigid airships of three to five thousand cubic metres capacity which are already proceeding north in special freight trains. They will be utilised only as a last resource as they have so far never been operated under Arctic conditions.—Trans-ocean Kuo Min.

VOLUNTEERS IN MANCHURIA

Funds Being Collected In Canton

(From Our Special Correspondent)

Canton, March 18.

Collection of funds for the support of the "volunteers in Manchuria" has yielded good results here, according to a report of the Association for the Relief of Volunteers, which is preparing an account of the money received since March 1.

Shops having capital of \$10,000 are liable to pay \$2 a month or \$24 a year. Other shops being liable for a proportional amount. As soon as the total sum is accounted, it will be remitted to General Wang Teh Lin, Commander-in-Chief of the Volunteer Forces in Manchuria.

Apparently the authorities here hold the view that with some funds remitted to the volunteers, it is possible to put down the regime of Emperor Henry Pu Yi, although Mr. Tung Yu Yin, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, declared in Peking, yesterday that there was no way to recover the four lost provinces by force or by diplomacy.

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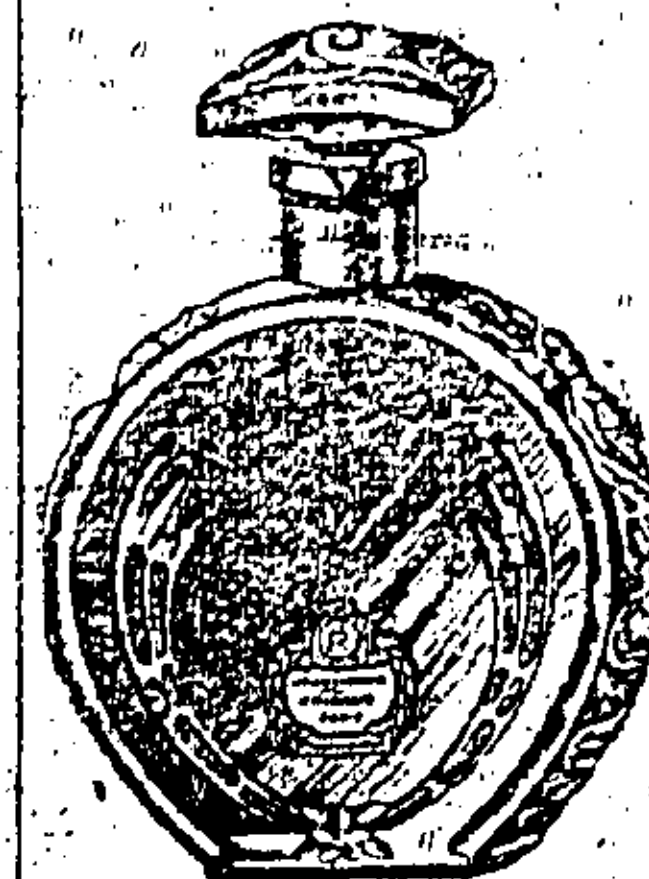
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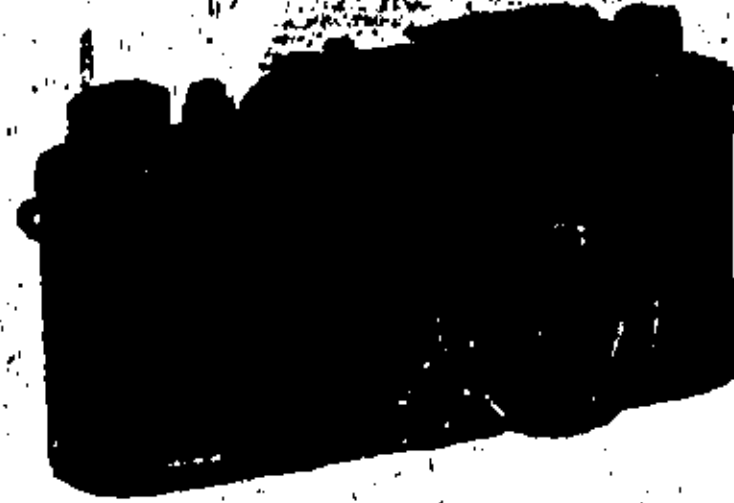


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Awaiting The Car Buyers' Reaction

Reading between the lines of American technical motor journals that have appeared since the New York show last month, it is apparent that motor manufacturers in general in the U.S.A. are anxiously awaiting signs of the "reaction" of the car buying public to the highly unconventional designs introduced at the Show.

These unorthodox cars embody obvious efforts to go as far as possible in designing a streamlined car with engine in front, and they are so striking in appearance that there is doubt as to whether they will "click with enough people to become a trend," as one American expresses it. "Which way will the winds of favour blow?" this writer entitles his musings on the point.

A drawback that is clearly apparent in some of these ultra-modern designs is the arrangement, size, and shape of the windows. As a rule there are only two windows at each side, neither of them as large as any of those of an orthodox saloon; the rear one on either side is triangular in shape with the apex pointing back, the top edge conforming with the sweep of the roof as it runs back and down in a continuous curve from the screen to the bottom end of the "tail".

To my eyes some of these new designs are positively ugly; I had almost written "hideous." Others please my eye, but I do not feel inclined to commend them for practical utility. The appeal of both categories, it seems to me, will attach to those buyers who favour the "extravagant" in car outlines and appearance.

What proportion of the total number of buyers they form in U.S.A. I have no means of judging, but I should estimate that in this country they constitute 10 per cent. at the most. I certainly cannot visualise popular makes of British cars fashioned on these lines for 1935; and yet it is suggested in U.S.A. that, if the general idea gains favour with buyers of the American cars that now embody it, there will be a rush on the part of other makers to offer the same or even more "advanced" designs within the next few months.

While Motoring

Within the past fortnight I have been asked the same question by no fewer than five different people—viz., "How can one keep one's feet warm while driving a car, at this time of year?"

I can sympathise with my correspondents when they describe the discomfort they experience from cold feet while motoring, for I am prone to suffer from this affliction myself. For that reason, I can believe those who tell me that, much as they enjoy motoring on real life's adventures for business purposes, they positively dread a long run between October and April.

My correspondents detail the various expedients they have tried, all of which, and others, I also have tested; but the infallible cure or preventive remains undiscovered. Personally, I have gained some relief by starting out and starting back with warm feet in loose-fitting shoes and snow boots over them. Driving open cars in years gone by I used for several winters a pair of electrically heated gloves and found them most effective. They were made of

cotton fabric with a very flexible heating element (a thin insulated wire) running up and down each finger and thumb and taking current through a "flex" from the sockets on the instrument board intended for plugging in an inspection lamp. Ordinary unlined driving gloves fitted comfortably over these special ones, and one's hands kept as "warm as toast" in any weather.

Since giving up open cars I have not used these gloves, but I have often wondered why makers of electrically heated clothing for aeroplane pilots have not introduced something of the kind in the form of shoes or socks—or shoe socks—suitable for motorists. So far as I can find out they do not make anything of the kind.

Self-Selector Austins Soon
Those people within and without the motor industry who said or were told at the time of last year's motor shows that the Austin Hayes transmission was not a "production job," and would never be fitted to cars for delivery to the public, may be surprised at an item of news I am authorised to publish. It is that this "self-selector" transmission, or automatic gearless gear-box as I prefer to call it, is definitely in production, and that deliveries to the public of Austin Sixteens and Eighteens, fitted with it are likely to commence at the end of March or early in April.

I can say this not merely on information received, but also because last week I saw a big batch in process of manufacture in the special "shop" that has been equipped for the purpose at the Austin factory near Birmingham.

Another surprise for the sceptics mentioned above will be to hear that between 20 and 30 self-selector Austins have been in the hands of Austin distributors for various periods ranging up to three months or so, not only for demonstration purposes, but also to enable distributors and agents to become thoroughly familiar with the transmission before cars having it are delivered to the public.

While at the Austin factory I saw also some of the latest extensions and new tools and equipment that have been or are being prepared to cope with ever-increasing demand; the output of cars, I was informed, is still increasing from week to week and beating all previous records. Among other developments now in progress are new chassis and engine-erecting tracks with constantly moving conveyors and a new "battery" of something like electrical engine-test beds.

Causes of Breakdowns

According to the analysis just issued by the R.A.C. relating to the causes of breakdowns reported last year under the club's "Get-You-Home" scheme, defective carburation is one of the very few faults that have shown a tendency to increase from year to year since 1928; but even this short-coming accounted last year for only 4.2 per cent. of the breakdowns.

Ignition details again caused more trouble than any other item (20.2 per cent.). Rear axle shafts (13.8 per cent.) came next in this "black list," while cylinder and piston faults (10 per cent.) were third.

It is stated by the R.A.C. that last year 11,933 cases of break-

down were dealt with under the scheme mentioned, which represents an increase of approximately 4 per cent. as compared with the figure for 1932; and yet the membership of the club increased by nearly 9 per cent. This suggests an increasing measure of reliability in modern cars, though the analysis for 1933 is the first to indicate improvement of this kind.

International Signals

Among its various activities the League of Nations considers the international aspect of road traffic and the permanent committee on this subject has recently issued its recommendations as regards road signals.

One of the most interesting points arises out of the now widespread use of automatic traffic signals. Our three-colour system has been adopted in Germany and Italy and several other countries, but in France only a red signal is used, meaning stop.

It is the one-colour system which is recommended for universal use, however, and as a large number of countries have accepted the findings presumably the one-colour system will in future be used in place of the three-colour. Britain has not accepted the report apparently, but in view of the need for international uniformity in all such matters there is need for careful consideration of the claims of the two systems.

It may also be noted that hand signals being generally impracticable for closed cars or lorries, it is considered that for these classes of vehicle at least, mechanical signals should be used. A standard type of stop signal to indicate when the brake is in operation is also recommended.

The report aims at the standardisation of signals and signs in all countries, and the prohibition is demanded of any boards or notices on the public highway which might be confused with the approved signs. Altogether a very practical document, although there must always be some allowance made for varying conditions and existing practice in different countries. Still, every attempt should be made, even in Britain, which is outwith the main stream of international road traffic, to conform to any generally accepted principles.

The Smoke Nuisance

A deputation of the National Smoke Abatement Society recently visited the Ministry of Transport to urge the desirability of enforcing the use of smokeless fuels only on steam-driven road vehicles. This is a suggestion which the majority of road users will be very pleased to support.

Many people maintain that steamers should be prohibited on the road altogether on account of the nuisance and danger they so often create due to smoke and steam. With the growing use of the Diesel engine there is no reason why steam should be allowed in a way that is so often dangerous, and if the present interest of the steam vehicle makers in the Diesel engine continues there will be no hardship in imposing really drastic regulations and enforcing them.

Meanwhile a smokeless fuel would effect a real improvement, but even that does not overcome the danger produced by clouds of steam, which often obscure the road and make meeting and overtaking equally risky.

The belching of smoke, sparks, cinders, and steam all over the road and everybody on it is objectionable as well as dangerous, yet no real effort is made to enforce any improvement. Vehicles of such crude type are not suitable for modern conditions, and there would be little sympathy for their owners if they were taxed and restricted out of existence.

The Deaf Driver

A writer on the psychology of driving stated the other day that

MOTOR JOTTINGS

HIGHWAY MAPS FOR CLUB MOTORISTS

Advices have been issued by the secretary of the Automobile Club of China that a new map of the highways and waterways of the Seven Provinces (in the neighbourhood of Shanghai) has been completed. His office expects to deliver copies to Club members next week.

A specimen copy indicates the complete system, existing and projected road, brought to date at January 1, 1934. In colours, the conditions of the roads is revealed as follows: surfaced and earth roads open to traffic, as well as roads under construction, with branch lines incorporated.

Another map of "Shanghai and District" will be dispensed at the same time.

In view of the splendid work which the Automobile Club is doing on behalf of motoring, an increasing membership could appreciate its efforts and be of great assistance in furthering its endeavours.

obviously deaf people should never hold a driving licence. Certainly it is desirable that drivers should be as physically efficient as possible, and a deaf driver is admittedly at some disadvantage, but defective hearing cannot be classed with defective sight as a handicap in driving.

It is by no means obvious that deafness should be a bar to driving a motor vehicle any more than driving a horse or riding a bicycle. The only occasion on which the deaf man is at an obvious disadvantage is in the case of an unseen vehicle sounding its horn at a blind cross-road or a turning. The case of the overtaking vehicle is met by the rear mirror.

It is well known, however, that a deficiency such as deafness is generally accompanied by an increased efficiency of other senses, and the deaf driver will generally be found very alert and to possess something like intuition in many directions. He is more observant, and will detect a vehicle on a cross-road by sight, when a man with good hearing might not even see it. Many motorists of skill and experience have been deaf and never concerned in any accident due to their deficiency, so these men will probably agree that it is by no means obvious that a deaf man should not be allowed to drive. Indeed, there are those who hold that horns are superfluous, and sight only should be used.

Perhaps facts and figures may be against the deaf driver, but accident returns show that nearly four times the number of deaf pedestrians were involved in fatal accidents as deaf drivers and deaf cyclists together. Thus it would not seem as if deafness was a very serious handicap. At the same time the case of the deaf driver is a matter for discussion, but it should be remembered that hearing is a sense which varies very much, and it is not so simple to lay down a standard of hearing as it is a standard for eye-sight.

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Precautions Against Burst Tyres

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In the first place, a tyre should never be kept in use if it is suspected of having a weak spot liable to burst at any time; a "shaky" tyre should be removed and thrown away without hesitation. A tyre in that condition can generally be identified by excessive wear of the tread, for, as a rule, if the tread is worn so that the next layer (the "breaker strip") can be seen, the cord foundation—the "fabric" that alone resists interior pressure—will have several weak spots, due possibly to the penetration of water.

Rarely will a tyre burst with a tread in good condition, provided it has never been run seriously under-inflated or suffered heavy local concussion. What is known as a "concussion burst" may sooner or later follow an attempt to drive the car up a kerb or inadvertently running over a brick left on the road, or a big stone.

Running a tyre under-inflated,

or deflated for more than a few yards after a puncture, causes the cords of the carcass to chafe one another excessively, with consequent weakness all round and on each side of the cover.

Treads should be examined carefully after each 2000 or 3000 miles to note whether they are cut at any point; if so, the cuts should be filled with special "stopping," preferably by someone with experience of the work. After 10,000 miles or so all the tyres should be removed and examined inside, again by somebody who will recognise any signs of weakness.

Opinions differ as to whether the retreading and relining of well-used covers is worth while; experiences vary so extensively in this connection that one may be inclined to view these processes as a gamble, with the odds may be in their favour. The writer has not had a tyre of his own retreaded or relined since 1920, when new tyres were fearfully expensive in comparison with to-day's prices.

False And Dangerous Economy

As to what the driver should do if and when a tyre does burst, there is not much to be said. He will certainly have no time to recall elaborate advice, even if it could be given. What happens will be all over in a few seconds and its ill effect, or the absence of harm will depend

upon such things as the speed of the car, whether it is taking a corner or on a straight road, whether the road is slippery or not, and whether the driver has his attention focused normally upon driving the car or diverted by conversation or what not.

There is nothing he can do really, except to try to hold the car on its proper course by the steering and to stop as soon as possible without applying the brakes too forcibly, for the latter may pull the tyre off its rim and cause it to become entangled between wheel and chassis.

That being so, it is obviously unwise to drive fast anywhere or to corner carelessly when a tyre in use may be "shaky." A burst tyre has failed to upset or even seriously divert a car times without number. If an accident follows a burst, it is usually because the car was being driven too fast or carelessly before and when the burst occurred.

Tyres for cars of popular sizes cost at the most about 50s per cover, and the latter will run 12,000 miles at least; if fairly treated, sometimes nearer 20,000 miles. So it is foolish to attempt to gain an extra 1000 miles or so out of a weak cover; the utmost saving will be a matter of a few shillings, while the risk that will be run may involve life as well as property.

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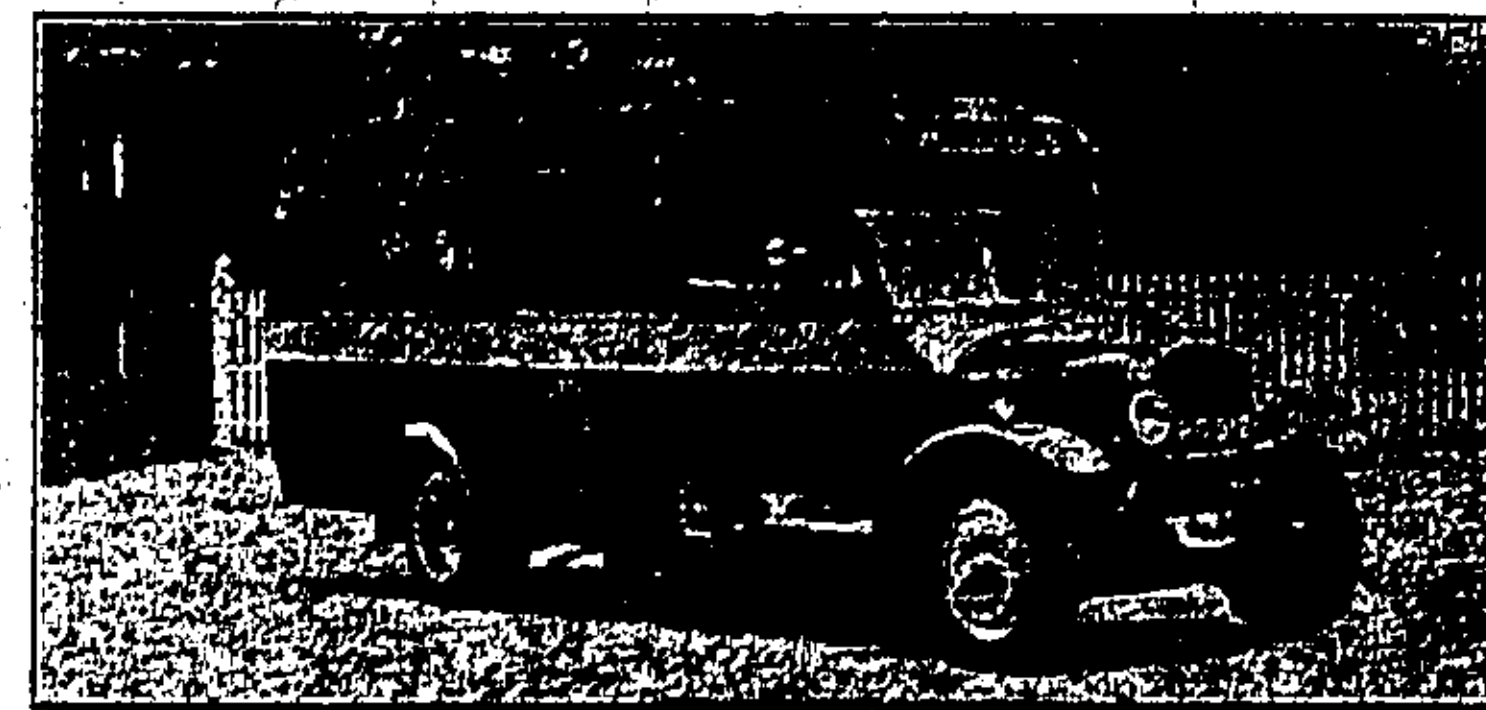
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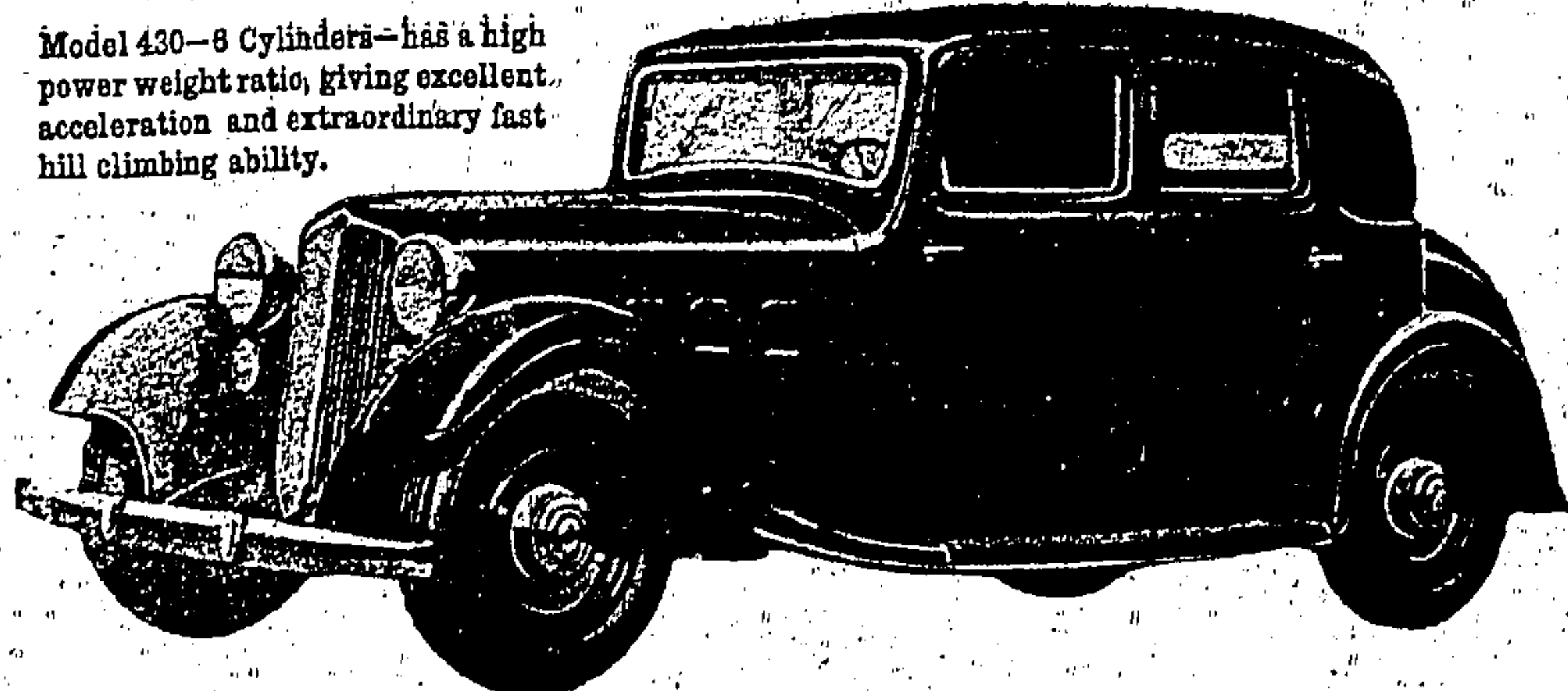
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Britain, France, India, the United
States, Sweden and Finland. In
Canada and Italy the rights are
owned by companies formed
specially to handle the invention,
and in Japan a private company
has acquired the naval rights. In
no fewer than thirty-four other
countries the slot is used exten-
sively on military and civil
aircraft.

Experiments in the use of the
slot device began near the end of
the War. Up to that time, and
for some years subsequently till
use of the slot became general,
the vast majority of all fatal
flying accidents—one estimate
places the percentage as high as
ninety—were caused by the pilot
inadvertently stalling his aero-
plane, or, in other words, losing
flying speed. In the stalled
attitude the pilot had no longer
any control. His ailerons (lateral
controls) were inoperative; rudder
and elevator quickly followed
them into uselessness. The result
was an uncontrolled tilt over to
one side as the machine began to
fall under the influence of gravity,
a nose dive followed by a spin,
and, if there were not sufficient
space between aeroplane and
ground for recovery, a headlong
crash.

Essentially, the slot device con-
sists in winglets which in normal
flight lie snugly against the front
edges of the main plane, they are
shaped exactly like aeroplane
wings and, in normal flying do not
affect adversely the speed or
general performance of the
machine. When the aeroplane
gets into the stalled attitude,
whether accidentally or, at the
will of the pilot, the winglets
move on arms away from the
main plane; the resultant narrow
slot between main plane and
winglet has the property of main-
taining unbroken the air flow
over the lifting surfaces. Without
the slot device the airflow becomes
turbulent and no longer provides
adequate lift.

This unbroken air flow pre-
serves the pilot in full control of
his aeroplane. Even when "it is
stalled he remains in charge; the
aeroplane, because it has lost
flying speed, falls towards the
ground but on a level keel. There
is no potentially dangerous nose
dive and spin.

BRITAIN PAYS £100,000

In its first practical form the
slot device was operated mechani-
cally by the pilot, but the present-
day model works automatically,
opening under the influence of
the air forces that affect the
wing when the machine nears the
stalling angle. Thousands of
experiments have perfected the
mechanism. Some years ago the
British government paid £100,000
for the right to use slots in Royal
Air Force aeroplanes; to-day
eighty per cent. of all machines
in the Service are fitted with
automatic slots. Very large sums
were paid by the United States
government and, now, by the
French government.

French experts first began to
take serious notice of the device
when the rights were acquired by
the British government. Squadron
Leader T.H. England, chief test
pilot of the Handley Page com-
pany, took the first "Moth" light
biplane to be fitted with slots to
France, and gave demonstrations
at the principal civil and military
aerodromes. French test pilots
flew the machine, and agreed
that it possessed a degree of
lateral stability in flight to which
they were not accustomed. Their
view was supported by French
aeroplane constructors.

Next stage in the French trials
concerned the fitting of wing
slots to larger aircraft, including
military "planes". Mr. Handley
Page sent over two machines, the
"Gugnunc" biplane which was
designed to exploit the slot idea
to the full in competition for the
American Guggenheim "Safety in
Aircraft" prize, and a slotted
Bristol Fighter. Reports on this
second series of tests were
most favourable.

DILEMMA OF MR. DOUMERC

The third stage saw equipment
with slots of six French aeroplanes,
all of different types. Prolonged
trials were made, attended now

and then by unexpected incidents
which brought out the virtues of
the invention. For example, a few
months ago Mr. Doumerc, a French
test pilot, was engaged in trials
of a new high-speed single-seater
fighter when, at a height of 3,000
feet, the airscrew broke. Damage
was immediate and extensive. Air-
screw and the gear linking it with
the engine were torn right away.
The "header" fuel tank was elim-
inated and the front of the engine
cowling ripped off. Approximately
220 pounds of weight of metal were
lost in a second from the nose of
the machine, making it extremely
tail-heavy.

Mr. Doumerc acted with sure-
ness and presence of mind. He suc-
ceeded in bringing his craft al-
most to a level keel and then opened
the wing slots. From that mo-
ment the aeroplane responded to
the controls in practically normal
fashion and the pilot, after a fine-
ly judged descent, was able to land
it at Villacoublay, the military ex-
perimental aerodrome near Paris,
without further damage.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The agreement with the French
government covers use of the slot
on civil as well as on military air-
craft. One of the qualities of the
device—and one that is becoming
more and more important—is that
it may be used in conjunction with
movable flaps at the rear edges of
the wings to increase the lift given
by aeroplane wings at the lower
end of the speed range. The re-
sult is a reasonably slow landing
speed even in very fast machines—a
point of great importance with
the modern insistence on highest
cruising speeds.

Negotiations are proceeding with
other imperial and foreign govern-
ments, and early conclusion of
some of them are expected now
that the French agreement is an-
nounced. Among the imperial
governments concerned are those
of South Africa and Australia; in
the meantime installation of the
slot on military aircraft has been
standardized in both countries.

WINNER OF 1934'S GREATEST RACE?

De Havilland's £5,000 racer for
the London-Melbourne contest in
October this year is named the
"Comet." Mr. J. A. Mollison has
ordered one. Serious negotiations
for the purchase of others make
likely the appearance in the race
of five or six of them in all.

The "Comet" must be ordered
under novel conditions. One fifth
of the purchase price must be de-
posited at the time of placing an
order, which will be accepted up
to the end of this month. This
sum is recoverable if the company
fails to fulfil the terms of its con-
tract, which are that the machine
will comply with the technical and
other requirements of the contest,
that its top speed will be not less
than 200 miles an hour, that it
will be equipped for a crew of two,
and that it will be delivered to
the purchaser before the end of
September. But no details of the
machine will be disclosed, even to
buyers, till after the closing date
for entries for the race.

Pilots who are considering parti-
cipation in the event are studying
ways and means of taking best
advantage of the governing con-
ditions. The rules imply, for ex-
ample, that only one occupant of
any racing "plane, styled the "pi-
lot-in-charge," need travel in the
machine all through the race. Here
is an opportunity for the use of
relays of second pilots, men
who would be taken on board at
Karachi, Calcutta and Singapore
to help the pilot-in-charge over the
next part of the journey. Personal
knowledge of the section of the
route that each would fly; the gain
to the entrant would be consid-
erable.

British experts declare that the
winning machine in the speed race
will probably complete the journey
approximately four days, which
means an average speed, includ-
ing all stops, of about 145 miles an
hour. Such speed will be well
within the capacities of British
craft such as the "Comet" which
will be entered, and will set a new
standard of quick communication
which one day the regular air mail
services may emulate.

On the question of a preference
for British goods, he allowed a
serious grievance in the refusal of
any consideration to the cotton
industry, but pointed out that
that there were considerable pre-
ferences granted to a large number
of our staple trades.

Viscount Wolmer ended the de-
bate by laying further stress on
the parallel with India.

On a division 93 went into the
lobby with Sir Henry Page Croft
against 138.

The last half of the evening was
spent on a Socialist motion of Mr.
Bannfield's to provide retiring pen-
sions "for all workers" at 60.

HOME RULE IN CEYLON

Sir H. Page Croft's
Criticism

An arraignment of the working
of the semi-democratic system of
government established in Ceylon
three years ago was the first sub-
ject of the private members' day.
Much of its interest was derived
from direct or indirect reference
to the policy of extending self-
government to India.

Sir Henry Page Croft, who
opened the attack, laboured to
enforce the Indian analogy. That
the Constitution of Ceylon had
been a "stunning failure" was a
warning against any further ex-
periment of the same kind.

The Constitution had been
conceded, he said, on the principle
that "immediately you give some
form of popular government gra-
titude wells up." But Ceylon had
refused to implement Ottawa.
There was to be no future for the
white man in Ceylon.

The immediate remedial pro-
posal which he suggested was,
however, the sending of a Par-
liamentary Commission to Ceylon
to inquire into the working of the
Constitution.

A racy and original speech on
this came from Col. Wedgwood,
who, taking the charges against
the Ceylonese as proved, drew the
inference that they must stop the
"ragging and badgering process."
If they wanted to save their
democratic system from breaking
down, "He was heartily in favour
of their adult suffrage Constitu-
tion, but equally sure that Go-
vernors there and elsewhere
should not 'go native,' but be
firm on safeguards."

Government Reply

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, who
made the reply for the Govern-
ment, confined himself to Ceylon,
and declined to admit Sir Henry
Page Croft's statement of the
conditions there as anything like
the whole truth. It was not true
that the representative body spent
its time baiting the Governor.
Differences of opinion had been
few, and none so serious as to
interfere with the administration
of the island. There was co-
operation between the Governor
and his Ministers, and the
Governor had the good will of the
people.

(Continued on previous Column)

LARGE CIVIL AERODROME

Soon to be Established
in Canton

It is understood that the air-
route for communications between
Shanghai and Canton has already
been opened, but the Canton Au-
thorities often find it inconvenient
since no proper aerodrome has

been established in the city for
the landing of aeroplanes.

Owing to this inconvenience,
and with a view to developing
the present situation, the Authori-
ties of the Canton Public Works
Department recently decided that
a large civil aerodrome should be
built in the city.

It is reported that the Authori-
ties have chosen a large piece of
spare ground in the south-east of
the Lau Wong Temple of Ho Nam,
the land being over 600 mows.

It is said the surveys have al-
ready been made and tenders are
now invited for the construction
of this civil aerodrome.

TO-MORROW AT THE KING'S

"Step up, folks. She's mild as
a tornado. She's gentle as
an earthquake. When she
dances, she's on fire. Her
burning beauty makes old
men young and young men
weep."



Clara BOW
HOOPLA

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IN
"HUMANITY"
WITH
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"DINNER AT EIGHT"
Excellent Entertainment
at the Queen's

Millie Jordan, wife of Oliver Jordan, head of the Jordan Steamship Line, plans a formal dinner to honour Lord and Lady Ferncliffe of London. Her husband, worried over business, asks her to invite the nouveau-riche but powerful Dan Packard and his beautiful though loose-moraled wife, Kitty. Invited as an "extra man" is Larry Renault, an impoverished and fading screen star. Paula Jordan, daughter of the family, is engaged to the uninteresting Ernest DeGraff, but is secretly in love with Renault.

Carlotta Vance, an old-time musical-comedy star who has lost her beauty but not her wit, comes to visit Jordan, telling him she wants to sell her stock in his company because she is hard-pressed for money.

Packard, through a catapaw, secures this stock as well as that of the majority of the holders and plans Jordan's ruin. This is prevented by his wife, Kitty, who tells him that the Jordan invitation is her one chance to get into society, and that if he interferes she'll "spill" a lot of dangerous secrets. In her rage she tells him by telling him she has a lover, who happens to be the young and handsome family doctor, Wayne Talbot. Talbot has an understanding wife, Lucy, who appreciates his good points and condones his weakness for women.

All these varied human factors arrive at the Jordan home for dinner—at eight except Renault. Drinking too much in his worry over his loss of popularity, he insults his "last chance," the producer, Stengel, and his long faithful agent, Max Kane. After a denunciation by Kane, Renault commits suicide. Carlotta learns of this be-

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA
HONG KONG

King's
"Doctor Bull"
Queen's
"Dinner at 8"
Central
"The Merry Monarch"
Oriental
"Hold Your Man"

KOWLOON
Alhambra
"King For A Night"
Star
"Power and Glory"
Majestic
"Walls Of Gold"

Coming

Queen's
"The Big Executive"
King's
"Hoopla"
Alhambra
"Counsellor at Law"
Central
"Humanity"
Oriental
"Made on Broadway"
Star
"Week End Only"
"Maid of the Mountain"

"THE MERRY MONARCH"

Now Showing At
Central

"The Merry Monarch" based on Pierre Loti's fantastic story of the king with 365 wives, provides Emil Jannings with perhaps the most unusual role of his varied career. Jannings is featured as the monarch, King Pausole, whose comprehensive harem revolts when tiring of its variety, he takes his favourite, the spirited Diane (played by Sidney Fox) to a rustic retreat.

A revolution is staged by the remaining 365 queens. Granowski, who directed the film, is said to have made the fullest possible use of his opportunities in the Court scenes and ceremonial pageantries.

Jannings has a strong supporting cast, in which Miss Sidney Fox, the lovely American star, and Armand Bernard, the popular French actor, have leading parts.

It is stated that it cost more than 15 million francs to produce "The Merry Monarch" and it took nearly a year to make.

"KING FOR A NIGHT"

An Unusual Story

A generous share of the laughs and the tears in the life of an overnight popular idol are to be found in "King for a Night," Universal's gripping and unusual story starring Chester Morris, and showing to-day at the Alhambra Theatre. William Anthony McGuire, the noted playwright, has written a realistic and stark screen play, and all of the players and the director, Kurt Neumann, have contributed to making it an almost perfect piece of entertainment. Morris is ably supported by Helen Twelvetrees, Alice White, John Miljan and Grace Mitchell. The story is that of a small town boy, son of a clergyman of his sister and the girl he loves both of whom cheat at love and bring only sorrow and tragedy to him. At the height of his successful career, when he holds wealth and adulation in the palm of his hand, he is overwhelmed by the wrong doing of his loved ones. The climax is vivid and gripping in the logic of its unfoldment.

Photography by Charles Stumar is excellent. Universal not only has given the picture realistic settings but has enlisted the services of real fighters, including a world's champion, Maxie Rosenbloom to give the ring scenes, authenticity.

fore she leaves her hotel and, telling Paula Jordan when she arrives at the dinner, prevents the girl from rushing to Renault's side, thereby involving herself in a scandal.

Compelled by his wife, Packard tells Jordan that he has had a narrow escape from "crooks," that he, Packard, has saved him and will help him. Paula, her face a mask of mingled emotions, composes herself sufficiently to talk to Ernest DeGraff. Kitty Packard covertly watches Dr. and Mrs. Talbot. And then...the butler announces dinner.

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"DOCTOR BULL"
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Vera Allen, New York stage star, didn't have a thing to do one recent afternoon and at the direct result of that fact she is now playing the leading feminine role opposite Will Rogers in "Doctor Bull", the current attraction at the King's Theatre.

Miss Allen, questioned by reporters told the story in her own way: "Fox Film executives were interested in a well-known Juvenile leading man. I think they wanted him for 'Paddy, the Next Best Thing'. I bumped into him on Broadway and he told me he was en route for a screen test and begged me to come along.

"You can help me put it over", he said. "I went. The truth is, I was idle bored and had nothing to do, he made the test with me playing opposite."

The next best thing I knew I was conferring with Fox representatives in New York. It seems that the executive cabinet, seeing the test of the juvenile, became interested

"HOOPLA"
Coming To The King's

Clara Bow is here again! She comes to the King's Theatre on Wednesday in her new starring production for Fox Film, "Hoopla". It is a spectacular picture, filled with turbulent action, milling crowds, riotous colour and stirring drama. It has inspired Clara Bow to new emotional heights—more impassioned and fiery than ever. Against the kaleidoscopic background of an active carnival Clara Bow gives the best performance of her career. "She is carnival dancer enmeshed in a love that in a love that is simple, yet strange to this magnet of men!"

Preston Foster, one of the strongest personalities of the screen,

in me. My identity was unknown to them, but they traced and located me. There were a lot of telegrams and long distance telephone conversations and here I am, thrilled to tears!

FROM TO-MORROW



Clara BOW
HOOPLA

Preston Foster
Richard Cromwell
Herbert Mundin
James Gleason
Minna Gombell
An Al Rockett Production
From the play "The Barker"
by John K. Nicholson
Stage play produced by
Charles L. Wagner
Directed by Frank Lloyd

has the leading masculine role opposite Miss Bow, and Richard Cromwell is seen as the youth who opens new vistas of love for her. Others in the splendid cast are Herbert Mundin, James Gleason, Minna Gombell, Roger Imhof and Florence Roberts. Frank Lloyd, who gave you "Cavalcade" and "Berkeley Square", is the director of "Hoopla". It is based on the stage play, "The Barker", by John Kenyon Nicholson, adapted for the screen by Bradley King and Joseph Menckens March.

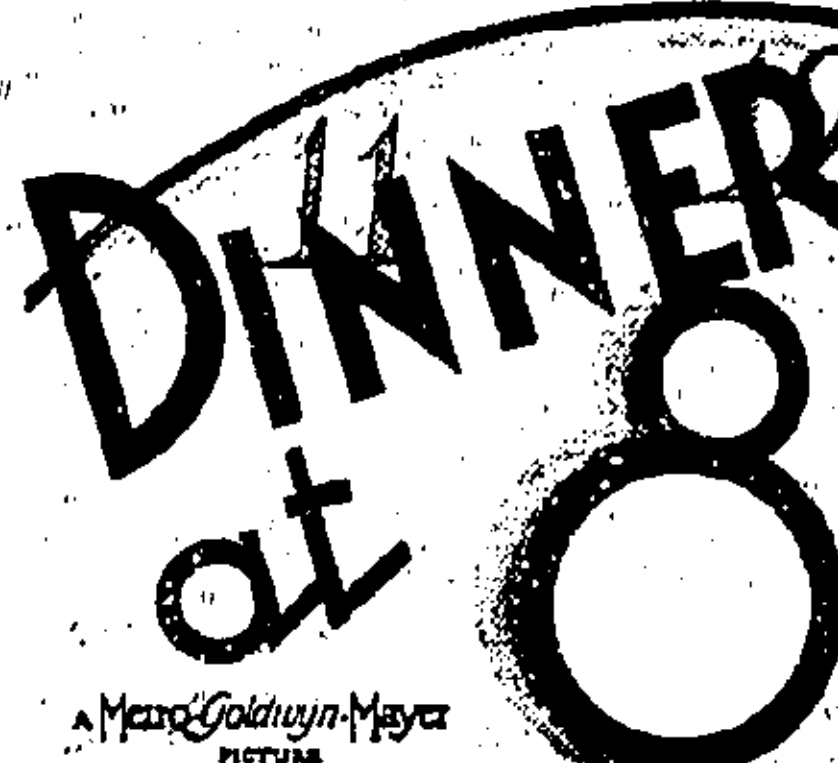
MAE WEST IN VERY GOOD COMPANY

The business of keeping abreast of the times produces some startling results. A new wax portrait model of Mae West has been installed at Madame Tussaud's, where it stands between the models of Queen Elizabeth and Henry the Eighth. "I believe that half the United States listened in enthusiastically to a Transatlantic broadcast of the installation ceremony. But what interests me is this trio's proximity—the more I think about it the better I like it!"

TO-DAY & TO-MORROW

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DINNER at EIGHT
+ Marie DRESSLER
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+ Wallace BEERY
+ Jean HARLOW
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NEXT CHANGE

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in
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KING FOR A NIGHT
with **HELEN TWELVETREES**

NEXT CHANGE

JOHN BARRYMORE
in
"Counsellor At Law"
with **BEBE DANIELS**

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TO-DAY

Tuesday, March 20.

Cinemas
King's: "Doctor Bull"
Queen's: "Dinner At Eight"
Central: "The Merry Monarch"
Oriental: "Hold Your Man"
World: "Chinese Picture"
Alhambra: "King For A Night"
Majestic: "Walls Of Gold"
Star: "The Power And The Glory"

Entertainments:—Grant Anderson Company, "The Late Christopher Bean," King's Theatre, 9.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous:—Hongkong Volunteers' Practice Ceremonial Parade, 6 p.m.; Rotary Club Timm; Week-night Service at "Wesley," 15 Ventris Road, Happy Valley, 8.30 p.m.; Kowloon Union Church Y. P. S. Lecture on "Bach," 9 p.m.

Moon:—II Moon, 6th Day.

Principal Mails

Home Mails:—Outward for America and Europe via Siberia by Taiyo Maru, 5 p.m.
Social Functions:—Reception to Mr. A. E. Wood, Chinese Merchants Club, China Building, 4.30 p.m.

Sports

Golf.—Royal Hongkong Golf Club Ladies Section L. G. U. competitions (New Course, Fanning).
Hockey.—Y. M. C. A. v. Central British Association, 5 p.m.; H. K. S. R. A. v. St. Andrew's 5 p.m.
Lawn Tennis.—Open Doubles, L. Goldman and E. C. Fincher v. Tsai Ping-fan and Tsui Yun-pui.
Sunrise.—6.28 a.m. Sunset.—6.34 p.m.

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in **"SCRAM"**

"BIG EXECUTIVE"

And A Daily Round Of Golf

What's the difference between the new type of stock-manipulating "big executive" and the old type of empire-builder?

The contrast is pictured in Paramount's latest hit, "Big Executive," which comes on Thursday to the Queen's featuring Ricardo Cortez, Richard Bennett, Elizabeth Young and Sharon Lynne.

The picture, directed by Eric Kenton from the story by Alice Duer Miller, puts Cortez in the role of the modern man of finance whose fortune is made by the misfortunes of others. Confining his operations to stock market pools, he is an entirely different type from that portrayed by Richard Bennett, as "Commodore Richardson," a prototype of the financiers of the past.

The Commodore is retired from business after having been responsible for the growth of the country's railroad systems, banks, great industries. He is content with his occasional yacht trips, his daily nine holes of golf, his snuffing bull-dog. But when the modern "big executive" and the Commodore's great-granddaughter fall in love, the empire-builder returns to business to break Cortez and stop the alliance. He succeeds, but the "big executive" demonstrates that he has the same perseverance that characterized the financial giant of the Commodore's day, and he brings the story to a happy conclusion.

"MADE ON BROADWAY"

At The Oriental Theatre

A tour of New York's most exclusive night spots!

If anyone were to attempt a jaunt through all of the "rendezvous for relaxation" in the Metropolis during one evening it would be necessary to make an outlay of greenbacks sufficient to pay off a large part of that old mortgage with enough left over to send the kiddies to the country and pay grandma's denture bill.

But for those who would like to get a glimpse of famous and infamous folk at play with a minimum of monetary discomfort, a new picture has been filmed, titled "Made on Broadway," with Robert Montgomery and Sally Eilers in leading roles. It is based on an original story by Courtney Terry, and acquired a fund of information from New Yorkers and their habits during his many years as a newspaper man.

Intimate scenes are shown in Park Avenue "clubs" where politicians gather to pull the various strings to release money from the treasury without disturbing the taxpayer's lethargy. Speak and organized on a luxurious scale, reproduced for the picture and peopled with suave representatives of Manhattan's smartest smart set. Montgomery fills the role of an expert in "public relations" with manoeuvres city politics to suit his own ends.

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20—Some Matters Of Local Interest

The man on the peak certainly deserve great credit for "spotting" the "Powerful" in the manner he did on Thursday. He made out a steamer about three in the afternoon, and an hour afterwards he made out what steamer it was. The Powerful, we hear, did not make the land until eight o'clock, so that she must have been some fifty miles off at least. We do not mean to say that the Powerful was going to take a rest coming into port, not at all. What we mean to insinuate, if we can but make ourselves understood is simply this—that the circumstance is quite contrary to the custom of the Trade.

We learn that on Thursday the pirates captured by the "Grasshopper" and boats of H.M.S. Esk broke loose in the Magistrate's Court and attempted an escape—in fact, we learn that ten really did escape, and that only five have been recovered. We mention the circumstance least our exhausted contemporary should mix the matter up with the attack on the Taku forts, or with the robbery of Captain Morrison's garden at Double Island.

A Chinese told us yesterday morning that there is a foreigner here who is a "true devil," and he

gets supper with "three piece devils every night." Of course we laughed, which made our informant rather indignant. "My own have see that man—he all same gennelmen, he true devil. Last day he go that market buy something, byanby he talkee no good he pay back—hal yha, all have changee." A few hours after, Mr. De Barre the "Wizard" called requesting us to announce to the public that by permission of His Excellency the Governor he was about to erect a theatre on the site where the circus was, for the purpose of giving a series of entertainments. It struck us that our Chinese friend must have meant Mr. De Barre, and we therefore asked the latter if he had been playing tricks in the market. He replied in the affirmative, adding that he had created quite a sensation there. So after all, there was some truth in this infernal report.

We learn that the Chinese of this Colony have raised \$20,000 for the purpose of having a procession and a gorgeous exhibition here shortly. The governor allows them too many sing songs altogether.

HONG KONG CLUB

Satisfactory Year
Reported

The Report, to be submitted to the members of the Hong Kong Club at the Nineteenth Yearly General Meeting to be held at the Club House on Wednesday, the 28th March, 1934, at 5.30 p.m., is as follows:—

The General Committee have pleasure in submitting a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1933, showing the result of the year's working to that date.

The Working Account shows a credit of \$34,073.18 before charging \$14,983.80 for special expenditure paid out of Painting and Renewals Reserve during the year.

After making the usual provision for Depreciation, writing off the cost of library additions, and setting aside \$13,983.80 for Extraordinary Expenditure during the forthcoming year, General Reserve Account has been augmented by \$3,000.00. Entrance Fees for the year, and \$1,200.00 to bring it up to \$140,000.00.

Special Expenditure charged to Renewals Reserve includes cost of constructional alterations for the Grill Room, Reconditioning part of the Kelvinator Service and re-painting bedrooms. For the current year provision has been made in particular for rewiring the Club House, and completing the overhaul of Kelvinators.

One Hundred and Twenty Debentures amounting to \$60,000.00 were paid off during the year, partly by Bank Overdraft, most of which has since been repaid.

CLUB BUILDINGS

The Buildings were inspected by the Club's Architects and the repairs recommended by them were carried out. Fortnightly inspections were made by the Committee. A considerable amount has been spent on repairs to furniture, colour-washing and painting in both buildings. The Kelvinator System is being entirely renovated and new cabinets are being installed.

LIBRARY

To the Library, 665 new books in 700 volumes have been added during the year and it now consists of 18,815 works in 20,976 volumes. The number of books rebound is 709.

Supplementary catalogues were issued during the year.

MEMBERS

On the 31st December, 1933, there were:—

594 Resident Members compared with 600 last year.
157 Absent Members compared with 155 last year.
1,164 Life Members compared with 1,138 last year.
68 Members elected compared with 87 last year.

COMMITTEES

Under Rule 48 the General and Balloting Committees have to be elected at this Meeting.

AUDITORS

The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. Linstead & Davis and Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming.

that his injury was not serious, but he had to remain in hospital for 13 days.
Defendant pleaded guilty to both charges, and said he hit the complainant because the latter teased him.

A POOR EXCUSE

Banished Sent To Gaol

A plea that he was banished to Canton instead of Kowloon, which was not his native place, and as there was no boat direct from Canton to Kowloon he came to Hongkong for the purpose of catching a steamer, was made by Wong Hing, a returned banished at the Criminal Sessions before Mr. Justice Lindsell yesterday.

Evidence was given to the effect that accused was banished for a period of ten years in June last year.

On the direction of his Lordship, the jury found accused guilty and he was sentenced to three years' hard labour.

Chan Ki, alias Chan Kee, was sentenced to three years' hard labour for a similar offence.

SENT TO SESSIONS

Chan Yung Hing and Leung Fai, two Chinese labourers, charged with wounding Ku Cheung, 53, farmer of Wuchow, with intent to maim, disfigure or disable him, at Kowloon Tsai Gap Hillside, on January 13 last, were yesterday committed to the Criminal Sessions by Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court.

Formal evidence of the arrest of the first and second defendants by Chan Hing, Detective 228 and Lai Ting, Chinese Police Constable C.29 were given, after which the defendant was committed to the next sessions.

A police raid on room No. 38 at the Tung Shan Hotel, Colinaught

Around the Courts

CHINESE SOLDIERS CHARGED

Said to be a disbanded soldier from the 19th Route Army, Wong Shui, 21, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. Balfour at Central Magistrate's Court on charges of stealing six dentists' forceps from 80 Queen's Road West, first floor, and assaulting District Watchman No. 49, Fung Po.

According to Detective Sergeant Goodwin, the defendant was arrested in New Street near Queen's Road on Sunday morning by D.W.49. He struggled with the watchman, striking him over the right side of his face. Mr. Lam Chi Fung, a clerk employed at the Colonial Secretariat Office, came to the assistance of the watchman. The Magistrate: I very much commend the public spirited action of Mr. Lam.

Another Case
Chung Yung, another ex-soldier of the 19th Route Army from Fokien, pleaded guilty to stealing a water meter cover from 4, Sai Street. The defendant recognised the detective and attempted to bolt.

Mr. Balfour bound the defendant over in a bond of \$100 to come up for judgment when called upon within 12 months.

HOUSEBOY IN TROUBLE

Ho Kin, 30, a houseboy in the employ of Mr. A. T. Lay of 5, Thorpe Manor, May Road, appeared before Mr. Balfour at Central Magistrate's Court yesterday on charges of stealing a bottle of gin and a bottle of whisky, the property of his employer, and of offering a bribe of two dollars to Indian police constable B707.

Sub-Inspector Dredge, who prosecuted, informed his Worship that Mr. Lay refused to prosecute the defendant on the ground that he was a good boy.

His Worship remarked that in the absence of the complainant he could not proceed with the theft charge.

Defendant denied the bribery accusation. He alleged he was stopped by the constable in Garden Road and was taken to the reservoirs in Bowen Road, where the constable asked him for \$5, but as he had not got it, the constable put his hand into the defendant's pocket and extracted the two silver dollars. When the Indian saw a Chinese sergeant, he told the defendant to stand where he was while he went over and got the sergeant's "chop."

The Indian constable denied taking the defendant to Bowen Road. He arrested him in Garden Road and defendant offered the bribe on the way down.

The Magistrate remanded the case for 24 hours for the evidence of the Chinese sergeant.

EMBEZZLEMENT CASE

Before Mr. Balfour at Central Magistrate's Court yesterday, Wong Siu Kit 24 was charged with the embezzlement of \$125 from the Naval, Army and Air Force Institute, Mount Austin Barracks on March 6 last.

Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones, for the prosecution, asked leave to amend the charge from \$125 to \$68.88, and added a further charge of larceny, by clerk of servant, of \$100 in cash and postage stamps to the value of \$25.

Mr. C. Y. Kwan appearing for the defence, applied for a short remand and bail.

Mr. Hugh Jones strongly opposed bail, remarking that defendant had to be brought down from Canton, to which place he had absconded. His employers viewed the offence very seriously.

Defendant was remanded until to-day, bail being refused.

NO BUS FARE

Because He Had Been A Policeman

On a charge of travelling on a Kowloon Motor Bus Company vehicle without paying his fare, Wong Yau was sentenced to one month's imprisonment by Mr. Wynne-Jones at Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday.

It was stated that defendant boarded a bus at Yaumatei at 7 p.m. on Sunday and was taken to Shamshui. When asked for his fare, he said he was a policeman and therefore need not pay. He was taken to the Police Station, and it was then discovered that at 2 p.m. the same day he had done exactly the same thing and had given the same excuse. He had been taken to the Yaumatei Police Station where he was warned.

Defendant: But I have been a policeman.

His Worship: That does not entitle you to travel without paying.

AT THE MARINE COURT

Chinese Motor Boat Coxswains Fined

So Wah, 25, coxswain of Motor Boat Kwong Tak Sang and Cheung Tai, 30, of Tai Lee No. 3, appeared before Commander Hole at the Marine Court yesterday morning, charged with unlawfully mooring their boats alongside the gangway of the R. M. S. Empress of Britain, last Sunday morning, and in such a manner as to obstruct free access of other vessels. Police Sergeant Porritt prosecuted.

All the defendants pleaded guilty and said that they moored their motor boats alongside the gangway only to wait some passengers on board the ship.

His Worship then imposed a small fine of \$5 or five days hard labour on each of the defendants.

A PROFESSIONAL BULLY

Sent To Jail For Ten Months

Described by the police as a professional bully, a Chinese named Chan Tak was sentenced to 10 months' hard labour by Mr. Wynne-Jones yesterday on charges of being in possession of a weapon fit for an unlawful purpose, and wounding a baggage coolie on February 26.

It was stated by Detective Sergeant Lamont that the complainant was employed by the Mongkok Ferry Company to carry passengers' luggage from the wharf at Mongkok. Defendant, who had no arrangement with the Company, went to the wharf on February 26 and attempted to obtain the same work. He was chased off, but at 5 p.m. on the same day, when complainant left the wharf, the two men had a quarrel outside, resulting in the complainant being stabbed in the arm. When complainant was admitted to hospital it was at first stated

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YOUNG CHINESE MURDERED

Police Seek Three
Fokis

The mysterious murder of a young building sub-contractor, Ko Tong, which took place at 68, South Wall Road, Kowloon City early on Sunday morning is engaging the attention of the police.

The victim, a young man of 29, was found at 8 a.m. with cut wounds on the face and neck, of a fatal nature. He succumbed after being admitted to Hospital.

Living with him in the same house were seven of his workmen, but only one and an old woman doing menial work in the kitchen, are said to have been in when the murder took place.

Three of his workmen are missing, and are consequently suspected but no motive has been discovered, although an investigation is proceeding to ascertain if robbery did not accompany the crime.

The man was missing when the others returned shortly before 9 o'clock. A trickle of blood from a cockloft led to the finding of the desperately wounded man. He was unconscious, and died, it is understood, before being able to make a statement.

Road West, and possession of a piece of sandstone with intent to use it for an unlawful purpose.

Yam Cho, unemployed, charged before Mr. Hamilton, at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday, with the theft of seven pieces of clothing, valued at \$30, the property of Wong Pui, engineer, and a leather suitcase and seven pieces of clothing, valued at \$21, from Lau Kun Kwong, from No. 62, Whitfield, second floor, was sentenced two months' imprisonment.

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Children's Playgrounds Association

SATISFACTORY YEAR'S PROGRESS REPORTED AT ANNUAL MEETING

Appeal For Wider Support

At the close of its first year's activities, the Children's Playground Association reports satisfactory progress. This fact was revealed by Sir Thomas Southern, President of the Association at the first annual meeting, held yesterday. The opportunity was taken to appeal for further and increased support.

The meeting also unanimously decided to invite H.E. the Governor to become its Patron.

Sir Thomas Southern Thanked

Mr. M. K. Lo, Chairman of the Executive Committee in proposing the adoption of the report and accounts paid a tribute to Sir Thomas Southern for his wholehearted support of the Association. He also mentioned that Lady Southern also took a keen interest in the Association.

After the report and accounts have been seconded Sir Thomas Southern said:

Sir Thomas Southern Addressing the meeting Sir Thomas Southern said:

Gentlemen—Before putting the motion for the adoption of the report to the meeting I should like to say how gratified I am at the success which has attended our effort to launch the Children's Playgrounds Association, and at the support which has been given to us by the various Sporting and Athletic Clubs of the Colony and by individual subscribers.

I am sure the meeting will be as pleased as I am to know that His Excellency has expressed his keen interest in our work, and besides showing that interest in the practical form of a generous donation to our funds he has very kindly consented to be the Patron of our Association, thereby setting the seal on our organization. I know that I have your unanimous approval for asking His Excellency to accept the office of Patron but I shall as a mere matter of form ask for your confirmation of my action at a later stage of our proceedings.

Development has necessarily been slow during the first year because we had to wait while the grounds were prepared for us by the Government and even now we have not obtained the full use of the large ground in Wan Chai, which I hope will be one of our most successful playgrounds, as it could not be made ready until after the Chinese New Year Fair.

I hope our supporters will not think we have been slow to take advantage of their generous assistance. We have moved as quickly as circumstances permitted and a great deal of preparatory work has been done by our Executive Committee and our Hon. Secretary. We shall see the fruits of this in the current year. I hope those who are interested in our work will visit our grounds. They will see much to encourage them to give us further and increased support. They will, if they go at the popular hours, see hundreds of children enjoying themselves on safe playgrounds who otherwise would be playing in the streets or not playing at all. There is nothing more pleasant than to see a crowd of children enjoying themselves and I feel quite sure that every visitor will come away with a feeling that our work deserves support.

More Support Needed

We need all the support we can get. We have spent nearly all our funds and without the subscriptions for the current year our work would be brought to a stop, and we have as yet touched only the fringe of the problem in our densely populated city. We look forward to the day when every thickly populated area will have its organized playground, and when we shall have enough directors to look after the games at each ground so that the poorer children may have their share of the joy of organized play on safe grounds. I therefore appeal confidently for continued support from the Sporting Clubs in the Colony and from individual sympathisers with our work. I should like to see a much larger list of individual subscribers. The annual membership subscription for individuals is only \$10 which is not a very large sum to give to an object designed not only to provide enjoyment to hundreds of poor children but also to make our roads safer for traffic.

I cannot close my remarks without expressing our very great indebtedness to the Executive Com-

mittee which, under the able Chairmanship of that excellent sportsman Mr. M. K. Lo, has put in so much effective work during the past year and above all to our Hon. Secretary Mr. J. L. McPherson. It is to Mr. McPherson's interest in the young people of this Colony that this Association owes its origin and it is his keen enthusiasm and experienced guidance that have brought it successfully through its first difficult year.

Gentlemen, with your continued support I look forward confidently to the future success of the Association.

The report and accounts were then put to the meeting and unanimously adopted.

Election Of Officers

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President: Sir Thomas Southern. Vice-President: The Hon. Dr. S. W. Tso.

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. Ko Sik Wal. Hon. Secretary: Mr. J. L. McPherson.

Chairman of the Executive Committee: Mr. M. K. Lo. Executive Committee: Messrs. G. R. Sayer, Tang Shiu Kin, A. el Arcuill and J. Ozorio.

Representative of Clubs which have subscribed over \$100 also serve on this Committee.

Mr. F. L. Collison was appointed Hon. Auditor of the Association.

Mr. Li Hoi Tung who had served as Hon. Treasurer last year was accorded a hearty vote of thanks by the meeting.

HONGKONG FIRE INC., CO.

Dividend Of \$10 To Be Paid

The Report, for presentation to the shareholders at the Sixty-Fifth Ordinary Meeting of the Hong Kong Fire Insurance Company, Ltd. to be held at the offices of the company, on Tuesday, the 27th March, 1934, at noon, is as follows:

The General Managers and Consulting Committee have pleasure in submitting a statement of the Accounts of the Company, made up to 31st December 1933, in Sterling and Hong Kong currency.

1932 Account.—This Account shows a surplus of \$502,180.22, and it is recommended that this sum be appropriated as follows:

To pay a Dividend of \$10 per share \$400,000.00
To pay an "Exchange" Bonus of \$1 per share 40,000.00
To add to Reinsurance Fund 62,180.22

\$502,180.22

NOTE.—The General Managers and Consulting Committee wish it to be understood that the continuance or otherwise of the above Bonus, in the whole or in part, will depend entirely on Exchange.

1933 Account.—The balance at credit of this Account is \$595,470.19.

Consulting Committee.—Mr. A. H. White resigned his seat on departure from the Colony and Mr. S. T. Williamson was invited to fill the vacancy; Mr. J. H. Taggart accepted an invitation to join the Consulting Committee and both these appointments now require the confirmation of Shareholders.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. C. Brown, A. H. Compton, L. Dunbar, F. A. Joseph and T. E. Pearce retire but, being, eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews and Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Five Years' Hard Labour

FOR ATTACKING WOMAN WITH A CHOPPER

Prisoner Protests On Being Led Away

Found guilty of wounding his concubine, Chan Li Ching, with intent to do her grievous bodily harm, a Chinese named Fung Po Wan was sentenced by Mr. Justice Lindsell at the Criminal Sessions yesterday to five years' hard labour. In passing sentence, his Lordship said the Jury have rightly found the prisoner guilty. "It might have been that you have been labouring under some sense of injustice, but that is no excuse and I myself don't believe that it is true. I believe you harbour evil feelings against this woman and for that reason I am going to give you a sentence of five years' hard labour."

The prisoner protested that it was "not fair" and was removed from the dock protesting loudly.

The jury comprised Messrs. H.P. Aigood (foreman), Fernandez, A. R. McEachran, M. Bacci, A. dos Anjos Lopes, C. de Vieira Ribeiro and W. G. Williams.

His Lordship: Have you any objection to being tried by this jury? Accused: If any of them are Portuguese I raise objection.

His Lordship: Why? Accused: Because Chan Li-ching has several sweethearts who are Portuguese. Who is Chan Li-ching?—She was my former concubine and the principal witness against me.

Objection over-ruled.

Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, prosecutor:—I submit it cannot be a reasonable ground for objection. His Lordship: Surely the effect of the challenge is this, that he alleges that as the principal witness against him has had Portuguese lovers, the Portuguese members of the jury will be biased against him.

Mr. Whyte Smith: If one went into questions like that it would be difficult to get juries. I do not think it for a moment that the Crown would be allowed to argue that certain people should be excluded from the jury on account of nationality.

His Lordship:—It is because of possible bias.

Mr. Whyte Smith: It is the first I have heard of it. I have read the depositions taken before the Magistrate and there is no indication there that Portuguese would be less suitable than other people to sit on the jury.

His Lordship, to prisoner:—No evidence appears in the deposition taken by the magistrate of the fact on which you rely to base your challenge, nor have you alleged in the preliminary proceedings any such allegations against the woman, Chan Li-ching.

Prisoner: When I was giving evidence before the learned magistrate stopped me.

His Lordship: Your objection is over-ruled.

Opening the case, Mr. Whyte Smith said accused and complainant had lived together in Hongkong for about eight years and they had two children. They separated in November 1932, the wife going to live with her parents taking the children with her. Later the children were sent to the Po Leung Kuk as Chan Li-ching was going out to work and was not in a position to look after them. It was not considered safe to allow accused the custody of or access to the children. The evidence would show that Chan Li-ching was quite justified in taking the children away.

Accused made repeated application to Chan Li-ching to return the children and also made repeated applications for money. Accused had had no regular work for some years whereas Chan Li-ching had been employed more or less regularly and for a considerable period when the two were together she was the main if not the sole support of the family.

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axe for 35 cents. On February 1, at about noon, Chan Li-ching was walking westwards along Queen's Road Central on the south side of the street and when passing Tak Cheong, the tailor, was struck from behind by accused with the axe. She received two blows on the back and one on the head. She fell to the ground and accused jumped on top of her. He had lifted the axe to strike another blow when an Indian chauffeur rushed to the rescue and disarmed him.

Chan Li-ching was taken to the Government Civil Hospital where her injuries were found to be serious. Accused was arrested.

In a statement made when charged, accused said "This case is entirely caused by the oppression of the Hongkong officials. I will speak when I go to the high Court."

At the proceedings in the Court below the accused, in evidence, said: "The evidence given by the second witness cannot be believed. 'Blood has been shed three times in this case.' The complainant has said she lived with me for eight years, seven of which she has supported me. I worked for the P.W.D. for 14 years and resigned in June 1923. In 1930 I became sole proprietor of the Tai Tung electric firm at 14, Wellington Street, and this is against her evidence of having supported me."

"I supported not only the complainant but her parents as well. And should I be found guilty, it is quite common for me to serve ten or twenty years in gaol. If she had died, it is quite usual for me to consider to have myself hung. And the worst thing I hate is the allegation of being called a madman. But there is no way to find out if I am really suffering from insanity although there are so many big doctors in Hongkong."

PRISONER'S STORY

After evidence had been given by Crown witnesses in support of Mr. Whyte Smith's opening, the prisoner elected to give evidence from the witness box. He said that the present trouble was traceable to 1932 when, he alleged, a certain man was intrigued with his concubine. Witness said that he had been attempting to report his grievance in several quarters but had been told to "Go Away" each time.

He said that his children were being detained at the Po Leung Kuk and that he was not allowed to see them or even inquire about them. He could not endure such a state of affairs and his brain became cloudy and he set out to cut the woman.

Witness then related certain details of one of his interviews at the S.C.A., but the judge told him not to waste the time of the Court and the Jury with irrelevant details. Prisoner, however, insisted on acquainting the Court with the whole of his story, arguing that it was relevant to his case. His Lordship after stopping the prisoner several times ultimately told him that if he persisted in giving details to the exclusion of the main points of his case, he would not be allowed to go on.

Details Ruled Out

Prisoner was most persistent, insisting that his whole story should be given a hearing, adding: "The learned Magistrate will not allow me to talk, the S.C.A. will not allow me to talk, and if you don't allow me to talk, where am I to be heard?"

Witness, however, was not allowed to give details of the interview referred to above. Continuing his story he said that the S.C.A. decreed a separation and had deprived him of the custody of his children.

His Lordship: So far as I understand your defence, it is one of momentary insanity?

Prisoner: My brain is quite clear, although everybody says that I am insane.

His Lordship: You have already said in connection with the attack that you did not know what you were doing? That you were suffering under a sense of grievance is not a defence.

Witness here again attempted to relate his concubine's alleged infidelity, mentioning the name of a local business man.

At this stage Mr. Lindsell again stopped the prisoner and said that if he did not give the main details of his defence he could not allow him to go on.

Prisoner: Then I have nothing else to say, unless I can continue where I left off.

His Worship would not allow the witness to continue and asked: Did you know what you were doing when you chopped her?

Prisoner: No, if I knew what I was doing, I would not have chopped her then for I could have murdered her a hundred times at night.

Unfounded Allegations

Mr. Whyte Smith invited to cross-examine the witness said he only wanted to ask a few general questions. He asked: "I put it to you that you are making entirely unfounded allegations against certain people?—I have very important proof."

I put it to you that you have absolutely no proof whatever?—I have proof.

Answering another question witness said he considered himself a fit and proper person to have custody of his own children.

Mr. Whyte Smith: On a previous occasion you and two children fell into the sea?—Yes.

Do you still think you are a proper person to look after children?—Yes, that was an accident. Asked by his Worship why he had bought an axe, witness said that he had wanted to construct a table.

Why did you take it to Queen's Road Central?—I found I had no need to make a table so I took it back to the shop to be changed.

And you say that while you were taking this axe back that you saw the woman and cut her?—I have to tell you the whole story or not at all.

You refuse to answer this question?—Yes, and every other question.

The prisoner called several witnesses and sought to establish the fact that an hour before the attack he had called on the S.C.A. and had intended to suggest that the children be restored to the custody of the concubine and that he be allowed to visit them.

S.C.A. Witnesses

An interpreter from the S.C.A. called by the prisoner stated that witness had been to the S.C.A. and had asked to see the Hon. Mr. Wood, who happened to be out. Prisoner left no message.

The prisoner then stated that he had a headache that morning while still in the S.C.A. office and that two of the watchmen employed there had given him medicinal oil to soothe the headache. The watchmen were called and denied the story.

This concluded the evidence, and after his Lordship had addressed the jury, the latter returned a verdict of "Guilty." Sentence of five years' hard labour was passed, as stated above.

ABOLITION OF ALL ILLEGAL TAXES

Rehabilitation Measures To Be Discussed At Nanchang

Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Finance, left on Monday for Nanking where he is to take an aeroplane for Nanchang, to take part in discussions on rehabilitation measures for Kiangsi and districts along the Fukien-Chekiang border. Other Government officials have also been invited by General Chiang Kai Shek, Chairman of the Military Council, to Nanchang to attend the meeting.

While in Nanking, the Finance Minister will discuss with Mr. Wang Ching Wei, President of the Executive Yuan, measures for the abolition of illegal taxes in various provinces with a view to lightening the burden of the people. According to a telegram from Nanking, the Government has decided to call a conference of the finance commissioners of the different provinces for the discussion of measures for the development of financial resources in the country and for the abolition of miscellaneous taxes in various districts.

As a means of relief to the people in Kiangsi who have been suffering from Communist disturbances, the Military Council Chairman and the President of the Executive Yuan have decided to abolish all miscellaneous taxes in the province commencing this month. To meet the deficit of the Kiangsi provincial treasury, the Ministry of Finance is to remit a subsidy of \$250,000 monthly.

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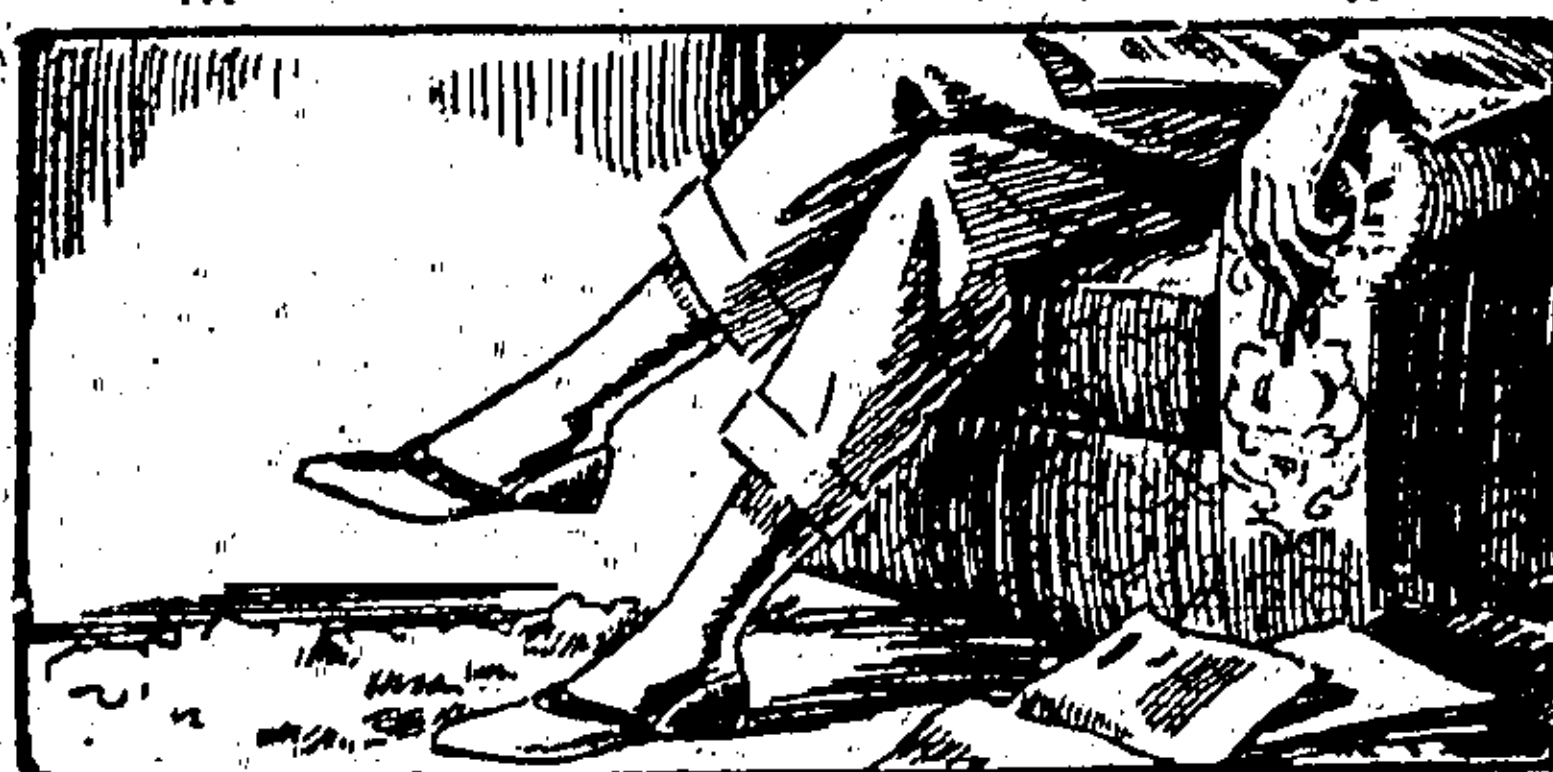
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of Section 59 of Probate Ordinance 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 4th day of APRIL, 1934.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 19th day of March, 1934.

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[2374]

QUEEN'S COLLEGE

THE 19th ANNUAL SPORTS will be held on Queen's College Ground, Causeway Bay, on SATURDAY, MARCH 24th commencing at 2 P.M.

Mrs. N. L. SMITH has kindly consented to present the prizes.

All friends are cordially invited.
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HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE Ninetieth Yearly General Meeting of the Members of the Hong Kong Club will be held in the Club House on Wednesday, the 28th March, 1934, at 5.30 p.m.

By Order,

S. R. KERR,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 10th March, 1934.
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NOTICE.

M. H. Ammann having been admitted partner in the firm A. Goeke & Co. some time ago, the power of attorney conferred upon him by me on the 2nd of January, 1926 is now obsolete and is herewith withdrawn.

A. GOEKE.

13th March, 1934.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 6th floor, on Wednesday, the 21st day of March, 1934, at 12 o'clock noon to receive the Directors' Report, and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1933, to elect Auditors, and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

And Notice is further hereby given that the Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 12th to the 21st day of March, 1934, both days inclusive.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.
Hong Kong, 28th February, 1934.
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CHINESE AND SPORTS

A new page in the history of the South China Athletic Association, and it may well be called the most important page thus far, was entered into last Saturday when His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, officially opened their new Clubhouse in Caroline Hill. As befitting such an occasion, there was a large number of friends present to wish the Club continued success and prosperity. The speakers of the afternoon dwelt on the rapid progress the Association had made during its brief career and the Chairman, Mr. M. K. Lo, in the course of his speech, made an appeal to members in the following terms:—

"I appeal to the S.C.A.A., which has gradually grown from the small membership of 165 in 1917, to a membership of nearly 5,000 at the present time, which now enjoys the undisputed position of the premier Chinese sporting institution in the Colony, and which has just received the high and signal honour of having its new pavilion formally opened by His Excellency the Governor, to love the game beyond its prize and to set an example of an increasingly high standard of sportsmanship, so that it may make such a contribution to the effort of the Hong Kong Football Association in maintaining and preserving football as a clean sport and to the cause and ideal of international friendship and understanding, shall be worthy of its prestige and tradition."

This appeal found an echo in His Excellency's speech and we in turn, heartily endorse Mr. Lo's remarks. We have followed with much interest, the activities of not only the South China Athletic Association but also of the whole of the Chinese sporting community, and it is indeed remarkable how they have taken to sports during the past two decades, more especially to tennis and soccer. Those taking active part in these games always behave in the pro-

per way, that is to say, in victory or defeat, they always strive to play the game. The good class of spectators, too, do not, as a rule, take defeat in ill-grace, but it is the uneducated type that has given, and is still giving, to a certain extent, so much trouble, not only to the Chinese Clubs, but also to the other teams.

There is only one explanation we can advance for this sorry state of affairs. The "coolie class," that is to say office boys, labourers in the dockyards, mechanics and the like, attend, say a football match with only one object in view—to see their team win. If things turn out to their desires, well and good, otherwise they will start a round of jeering and barracking, first at the referee and then at the players of the opposing side. Not infrequently one hears the cry of "ta" (strike) in the course of a football match when one of the players happens to be "bumped" legitimately or fouled accidentally. This cry spreads like wild-fire and it gets to such a stage that the players themselves are carried away by this call, and the result is, more often than not, that the referee has to abandon the game.

We can understand a crowd getting out of hand in the excitement of a game now and then. It happens even in the best regulated sports centres of the world, but when it happens almost every time things are not going exactly according to the spectators' fancy, then it is about time something should be done. South China Athletic Association, Chinese Athletic Association and other Chinese sporting organisations have gone to no little expense in printing pamphlets and having them distributed to the spectators, appealing to them to "keep their heads," no matter what happens and also explaining the finer points of the game. As His Excellency remarked,

"The game is more than the players of the game, And the ship is more than the crew."

The Chinese sporting institutions are doing excellent work in distributing these pamphlets. They have a hard task before them but perseverance will be rewarded. There are already signs that the crowd are getting to be more reasonable and let us hope then that Mr. Lo's appeal will not fall to deaf ears, for defeat, taken in good grace, is just as honourable as victory.

OBITUARY

Herr W. Meyer-Foerster

Berlin, Mar. 19.
The German dramatist, Herr William Meyer-foerster author of the famous play, "The Student Prince of Heidelberg," died yesterday.
Since the play was first performed in Berlin, in 1901, it has been translated into numerous languages and is now running in Tokyo.—Reuter.

QUEEN DOWAGER EMMA

Takes Turn For The Worse

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")
(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894. Received, March 19, 7.30 p.m.)
The Hague, Mar. 19.
Serious complications in the condition of the Queen Dowager Emma occurred this morning at 2.30. The Queen Dowager is already so weak that relatives have been warned to prepare themselves for the worst.—Transocean Kuo Min.

LABOUR CRISIS IN N. FRANCE

Polish Miners Ordered To Leave

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Lille, Mar. 19.
That human labour is not a mere form of merchandise that can be bought and sold without regard for the fate of the individuals who perform it is also becoming recognised in France.
Some years ago the French Government began to encourage the immigration of Polish workers for mines in Northern France since the available French workers were insufficient.
Recently France has also begun to suffer from the effects of the world's economic depression by which many of the Polish workers had become superfluous and have been peremptorily ordered by the police to leave the country.
The Polish workers through labour organisations in France have protested against this treatment, pointing out that originally they were officially enticed by attractive promises made to settle in France and help to build up industrial provinces and consequently they had broken up their homes in Poland and formed new ones in France. Their forcible ejection meant starting life all over again.
The protest by the Union of Polish Miners in France is now supported by the French Miners' Syndicate, both on humanitarian and economic grounds. The Polish Government has also taken a definite step in Paris.—Transocean Kuo Min.

PROTEST AGAINST GOVT. MEASURES

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")
(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894. Received, March 19, 7.30 p.m.)
Warsaw, Mar. 19.
About 200 members of the "Young Legion" assembled on Sunday in front of the Czechoslovakian Legation at Warsaw to protest against the latest measures taken by the Czechoslovakian authorities, above all the arrest of a certain Polish editor. A great protest meeting was held by the Poles of the Czechish Teschen against what the Polish Press calls "Chauvinistic challenges" to the Czechoslovakian Press and authorities.—Transocean Kuo Min.

INSULT BANNED

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")
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The Harbour Authorities at Port Said have been instructed by the Egyptian Government to refuse to allow the fugitive "B. Insult" to land. The Greek Steamer "Molotov" left Piraeus on Sunday with Insult on board and is expected in Port Said on Monday.—Transocean Kuo Min.

Mussolini Speaks Out On Disarmament

"NATIONS ARE ENTITLED TO DEFENSIVE ARMAMENTS"

"Europe Must Enter Land Of Deeds"

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")
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Rome, Mar. 18.
Stating that the collapse of the arms conference is an undeniable fact, Mussolini in his speech delivered on Sunday before a mass meeting of Fascist leaders on the occasion of the second five yearly celebrations of the Fascist government, stressed that in view of the fact that highly armed nations are not willing to disarm it is impossible to fall back on peace treaties in order to prevent Germany, re-arming. Il Duce added that one cannot dispute the people's right to adequate defensive armaments, it having been the aim of the Italian disarmament memorandum to try and create an atmosphere of understanding in Europe which will permit an equalisation of conflicting interests.

Turning to the League of Nations, Mussolini emphasised that the principle proposed by the reform of the League is almost universally accepted and that reform should be got under way as soon as the arms conference has finished its work, but if the arms conference should fall there would be no need for League reform, it being merely necessary to record the League's demise.

The facts signed on Saturday in Rome provide for close co-operation of three nations but it in no way excludes an extension of that co-operation to other countries. "We must finally come out of the land of phrases into that of deeds," emphasising the fact that "Italians are determined by the very nature of their land's geography to become a people of farmers and sailors. Il Duce 'denominating Africa and Asia as historical goals of Italy for the last two thousand years. Admitting the existence of the natural limits in North Africa, Mussolini expressly defined the type of Italian advance intended, not as conquering territory but as a peaceful expansion of both a political and economic character, which should not be hindered by nations already satiated and copiously provided for."

The setting of the speech provided a scene worthy and reminiscent of ancient Rome. Mussolini spoke from the stage of the Royal Opera House which had been ornamented with pillars in the form of a Roman temple and richly decked with laurel wreaths. The audience of 5,000 clad for the most part in the impressive black of Fascism included all the prefects, senators and the entire Fascist general staff of the nation.—Transocean Kuo Min.

FRENCH POLICY STILL FIRM

Paris, Mar. 19.
The French reply to the British Disarmament Memorandum is hailed as proof of the new clarity and firmness of ideas characterising the French Foreign Policy since the formation of the Doumergue Government.

Opinion is unanimous in rejecting any compromise implying the re-arming of Germany simultaneously with the Disarmament of France, and it is declared on all sides that the latest German note maintains, integrally, the German claims and persists in denying the character and real value of Germany's quasi-military formations.

The German note, France asserts, avoids giving "indispensable" and precise information concerning their organisation, working and control.—Reuter.

GERMAN PRESS BLAME FRANCE

Berlin, Mar. 18.
All the German papers agree that the blame for the failure of the arms negotiations will fall on France in view of Germany's note. The "Boersen Zeitung" states that if France rejects the Note, Germany must act in order to ensure the most primitive demands of self-defence.
The "Tages Zeitung" complains that it is absurd for France to place Germany's national associations on the same basis as trained French soldiers and to continue clamouring for new guarantees from other Powers.

The journal claims that Germany's policy of the past year has removed all the obstacles between France and Germany, and it is now for France to decide.—Reuter.

ITALIAN EXPANSION IN AFRICA

Rome, Mar. 19.
Expansion in Africa was assigned as a task for future generations of Italians by the Premier, Signor Mussolini, in a speech to 7,000 leading Fascists, yesterday on the occasion of the second five-yearly meeting of the Fascist regime.

Il Duce also referred to the possibilities of collaboration with Asia. He said that Austria could rely upon Italy to maintain her independence.

The reform of the League of Nations could await the conclusion of the Disarmament Conference as in the event of the failure of the Conference there would be no need to reform the League. It would be sufficient to record its demise.

If armed States would not logically oppose the practical application of equality conceded to Germany in 1932.

Signor Mussolini claimed that the Italian memorandum was eminently a reasonable plan to establish an understanding between small and great European Powers, without which Europe would recede into the twilight.—Reuter.

WORLD CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

Dam Bursts At Sissek

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)

Belgrade, March 18.
Two thousand men are driven out of soddens or ruined homes by the bursting at Sissek of the dam under terrific pressure from the river Save which had risen to the unprecedented height of twenty-nine feet above the normal level. Over forty thousand acres of arable land, four villages, and part of the city of Sissek are under the swirling waters. Due warning was given by the sagging of the Dam. The nearest approach to a spectacular tragedy through the flood was the timely police rescue of two young looters of deserted houses from the hands of an excited crowd of would-be lynchmen.—Transocean Kuo Min.

HUNGARIAN BONDS DISCOVERED

Paris, March 18.
Stavisky sleuths in searching the premises of one of the swindler's former companies "La Fonciere" on Sunday discovered the first real rebate on the tremendous cash losses suffered by the Stavisky financial debacle—huge amounts of Hungarian bonds and notes. The total seizures reach over a thousand million francs face value made out to the swindler's favourite alias, Serge Alexandre. The bonds were to be placed before the mixed claims commission for approval to be converted at a handsome profit by accomplices in Spain. Six hundred cheques of "Voluntés" deeply involving the director Dibarry also fell into the hands of the law on Sunday.—Transocean Kuo Min.

ROME CONFERENCE PRAISED

Vienna, Mar. 18.
The outcome of the Rome conference is praised by the entire Austrian government press as an incident of the highest international importance as well as the first step towards the abolishment of present selfish customs barriers between European nations.

The possibility for other nations to join the agreement is emphasized, what chiefly may concern Czechoslovakia. The success of the conference is attributed to Chancellor Dollfuss's personal merits.

Between the lines, however, one can read an unmistakable disappointment that the agreement does not contain any new guarantees of Austria's independence, as its contents with regard to the political situation is more or less insignificant. Furthermore the Press communicates that the negotiations for a concordat between the Chancellor and the Vatican have been brought to a good ending.—Transocean Kuo Min.

"FRENCH OTTAWA CONFERENCE"

Paris, March 18.
The calling of a "French Ottawa conference" for the purpose of

NEWS SUMMARY

H.M.S. Adventure rugby players defeated a team from the Empress of Britain at Happy valley yesterday, Page 10.

Chan Yung Hing and Leung Fai, two Chinese labourers, were yesterday afternoon committed to the next Criminal Sessions on a charge of wounding Ku Chung, a farmer on January 13 last, Page 7.

Three international games of hockey were witnessed at King's Park and on the Marina ground yesterday, Page 10.

The Kowloon Marathon race over a course of seven miles was won by L. Cpl. Farmery of the Lincolnshire Regiment who won quite easily, Page 10.

The monthly meeting of the Hong Kong Football Council was held yesterday, Page 10.

Wong Ma Choo, a fisherman was charged before the Chief Justice yesterday for the murder of a fisherwoman by pushing her into the sea, Page 11.

The report of the Committee of the Hong Kong Club will be found in Page 6.

The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Company, Ltd. report a satisfactory year, Page 7.

A young building sub-contractor, Ko Tong, was the victim of an inexplicable murder, which took place at 68 South Wall Road at Kowloon City early on Sunday Morning, Page 6.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

We are requested by the Honorary Secretary of the Peak Club to remind Members and others that Tickets for the Comedy "To see ourselves" by E. M. Delafeld, which is to be produced on Wednesday and Thursday, the 29 and 30 of March, are obtainable from the No. 1 Boy at the Club. Tickets are \$2—each, and one-half of the proceeds will be donated to the Funds of the Hong Kong Benevolent Society.

The number of people vaccinated by members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade up to March 16 was 74,762. Of these 42,963 were previously vaccinated by the Brigade, while 31,809 are new cases. Of the new cases 1,597 were infants, of whom 1,139 were under five years of age.

The China Fleet Club at Wanchai will be opened on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Commodore Elliott.

Queen's College 18th Annual Sports will be held on the College grounds, Causeway Bay, on Saturday, March 24 commencing at 2 p.m. Mrs. N. L. Smith has kindly consented to present the prizes. All friends are cordially invited.

In connexion with the Friends of Tao Fong Shan, a retreat will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Easter Monday at Shatin. The Subject will be "Progress in the Christian Life," and opportunity will be provided during the afternoon session for discussion and meditation.

Four cases of small-pox (2 imported), one of diphtheria, one of enteric fever and one of cerebrospinal fever were reported for the 24 hours ended on March 18.

"CLOSED DOORS" TRIAL

Assassins Of M. Duca Face Military Court

Bucharest, Mar. 19.
The Rumanian authorities have decided to conduct a "closed doors" trial, opening to-day before a Military Tribunal of the three "Iron Guards" who are charged with the assassination of the Premier, M. Duca, on December 29.

Fifty alleged accomplices who are drawn from all ranks of society including the ancient nobility will also be tried.

Fifty counsels have been engaged and 400 witnesses will be heard at the trial, which is expected to be one of the most sensational since the War.

The press will be excluded, but bulletins will be issued for public information.—Reuter.

creating a planned economy for French colonies, is forecast by the Petit Parisien which states that the conference is a pet idea of the minister for colonies Laval who considers it essential in order to aid the French Colonies which as suppliers of raw materials have been hard hit by the economic depression. Plans for the conference are now being drawn up by the ministry of the colonies, but it is not anticipated that the conference will materialise before late in the summer at the earliest.—Transocean Kuo Min.

ROOSEVELT TO ASK

For Formation Of Credit Banks

Washington, March 19. Mr. Roosevelt has prepared a message to congress asking authority to establish intermediate credit banks in each Federal District to make loans direct to industry or for the co-operation of private banks.

Legislation effecting this is expected to pass promptly in view of its frank recovery label.

A complication is a parallel plan submitted to the Senate Banking Committee on Friday which would empower the R.F.C. to lend directly to industry.—Reuter.

WILL U.S. JOIN WORLD COURT

Bill Now Before Representatives

Washington, March 19. A Bill to give the United States membership to the Hague World Court by act of Congress, instead of by Treaty was introduced to the House of Representatives by Mr. David Lewis, in order to end the impasse which for years enabled thirty-three Senators to prevent final action on this question.

Mr. Lewis points out that Texas was admitted to the Union by act of Congress with a majority vote in both Houses, while the treaty requires a two-thirds vote in the Senate.—Reuter.

PROF. ROGERS FOR CHINA

To Study Silver Situation

Washington, March 19. With the approval of Mr. Roosevelt the Treasury is sending Professor Rogers, the monetary expert, to China for a study of the silver situation. He will sail shortly.—Reuter.

Mr. Morgenthau explained that Prof. Rogers will not act in any sense as an official negotiator, but devote himself to a purely economic survey.

The announcement of Prof. Rogers' mission came just before two bills by the Treasury opposed to the Flesinger Silver Bill came up in the House. Despite Rainey's prediction that the bills should receive a majority vote a bitter conflict thereon is expected.—Reuter.

ARAB LEADERS SENTENCED

Sequel To Jerusalem Riots

Jerusalem, March 19. Seventeen Arab leaders were sentenced to hard labour ranging from 5 to 10 months for participation in an illegal procession, which started rioting in October.

Those sentenced include the prominent politicians Sheikh Mouzaffar, Aun Bey and Abdulhadi, each of whom received 10 months. All the accused were granted bail pending an appeal.—Reuter.

RADICAL-SOCIALIST VICTORY

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")

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Paris, Mar. 19. After having suffered a series of electoral defeats, the Radical Socialist Party had a notable victory at Verdun on Sunday, when Gaston Thiebaut was elected after scoring 4,580 votes out of 11,486.

The new Radical Socialist member of the Chamber succeeds the Burgomaster of Verdun, Schleiter, who was killed before Christmas in the railway catastrophe at Lagny. Schleiter belonged to the Republican Centre Party. The Right Parties undoubtedly enjoy a majority at Verdun, polling 2,000 votes more, but they have split into too many subdivisions.—Transocean Kuomintang.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY

Loan To Be Raised In Shanghai

London, March 19. In the House of Commons Sir J. Simon announced that the Chancellor of the Exchequer offered no objection to a sterling loan for the construction of the Canton-Hankow Railway secured on the Boxer Fund. The loan will be raised in Shanghai. He added the proceeds alone will be expended on railway construction, subsequently resulting in large orders of railway material in Great Britain.—Reuter.

Sir J. Simon's statement was in reply to a question. Mr. Rankin asked whether it would be a condition for approval of the loan that all railway material required should as far as possible be purchased in Britain.—Reuter.

SINO-JAPANESE RELATIONS

Situation Reported Unchanged

London, March 19. In the House of Commons, Mr. Wardlaw Milne asked whether it was correct to say there had been a more or less satisfactory arrangement between the Chinese and Japanese Governments, Sir J. Simon replied, I think that must be so, my information is that the situation is unchanged and the conditions of the armistice are being observed.—Reuter.

CANTON DAY BY DAY

(From Our Special Correspondent)

Canton, Mar. 19. Anxiety over the depreciation of Government bank-notes is partly over as they have recovered to 90 cents a dollar as against 85 cents yesterday. On Saturday the rate was 92.

The same is true with regard to the notes of the Canton Municipal Bank which rose from 82 cents to 86 cents per dollar. If the notes can hold their position for the next few days, the crisis will be alleviated.

FUNDS FOR RIVER CONSERVANCY

A sum of \$100,000 being loan from the British Boxer Indemnity Fund was received here by the Kwangtung Board of River Conservancy. In addition, another sum of \$1,000 was received for the purchase of materials and machinery for conservancy purposes.

With these funds in hand, the Board of Conservancy will proceed to repair the dykes along the West River and to dredge certain stretches which are too shallow for navigation. Work has to be done immediately, because the summer floods are soon due.

IRON MINES IN KWANGTUNG

Following the decision of the Provincial Department of Reconstruction to establish an iron and steel works at Tung Long near Canton, the iron mines in different parts of the country will be marked out for exploitation. Nine districts in this province are richly embedded with iron ore, which will supply the raw materials to the iron and steel works.

Machinery and equipment for the works have been ordered from an American firm in Cleveland, Ohio.

TREE PLANTING CAMPAIGN

Canton, Mar. 19. Complying with the instructions of the Central Party Headquarters in Nanking, the Kwangtung Provincial Kuomintang has ordered all county Kuomintang organs to concentrate on encouraging the people to grow more trees.

The order requires the county government and the county Kuomintang to supervise the people in planting more trees and to provide them with seeds at a low or nominal cost. The idea is that if the people plant more trees, they can sell them as lumber.

PUBLIC INSURANCE BUREAU

Canton, Mar. 19. The Provincial Department of Finance is contemplating the establishment of a public insurance bureau in this city, the business of which includes fire, marine, flood, and life insurance. Capital will be \$10,000,000. It will come into existence shortly, as soon as the regulations governing its organization are approved by the Provincial Government.

DANGER OF LABOUR TROUBLE IN U.S.A.

RAILWAYMEN AND MOTOR WORKERS DISSATISFIED

Million Men Reject Proposed Cut In Wages

Washington, March 19. Despite much important business to be transacted by Congress, the week opens so heavily charged with danger in a struggle between worker and employer that everything else seems unimportant.

In the motor industry and in the railway field there is talk of an impending crisis with possible government intervention.

Among important measures to be dealt with by Congress are the Philippine Independence bill, Cotton Tax bill, Stock Exchange Regulation bill and the Naval Appropriation bill but all these are pushed in the background while the labour issue comes into the limelight.

Yesterday a million railway workers represented by twenty-one unions rejected the proposal of the Committee of Railway Managers that the present ten per cent wage reduction be continued for ten months beyond its expiration on June 30, while Mr. William Green threatened a hundred thousand men in the Detroit area would walk out on March 21, unless motor manufacturers withdraw their refusal to recognise any union affiliated with the Federation of Labour as such or has any sign of contracts with it.—Reuter.

EFFORT TO AVERT A STRIKE

To-morrow Mr. Johnson is leaving for New York to attend a meeting of motor manufacturers and employees at which to seek to avert a strike.

The position taken by the Railway Union has caused surprise and dismay, especially as Mr. Roosevelt some weeks ago, requested a continuance of the present scale, but the Unions' reply they have made sacrifices enough and railways are hanging on "hopelessly to a top-heavy capital structure which is a

CRITICAL SITUATION

If these offending constitutions were amended, men who joined the unions would be free from obligation to pay dues whose flow into the coffers of the Federation of Labour is eagerly desired by the leaders. If employers by the Concessions argument can maintain the Company Unions, the Federation of Labour's power will be weakened and their chances of expansion reduced, but if the obduracy of employers force the Government to declare most unions illegal, the country might see the beginning of coercive treatment in industry in the interest of labour which will have unending repercussions.

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KIUKIANG NOTES

Catholic Father Captured

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Kiukiang, March 11. We were looking to the Chinese New Year with a feeling of easiness when the Reds were announced approaching to the West of the Kiukiang-Nanchang Railway Line. Every day the merchants of the little markets coming to Kiukiang to square their accounts or to make New Year provisions were bringing the news: they have arrived here and there.....

How did they come? and by what way? Taht is a long story. It seems that they all belong to the 16th Red Army, under General Kung Ho Chung. They are said to come originally from Yungsin (West Kiangsi); they were driven off by the Numan troops and as they probably had exhausted all the commodities of life in West Kiangsi, they were only too glad to go away and live on the fat of new places. And so they did. They went up North in large bands and lived on the rural districts and markets unmolested. So it was news to us when we heard that Linkiang was occupied by the Reds on the 24th December and a few captives taken off. They came so suddenly that it looks as if the City was taken unaware. The Magistrate and the Head of the local Tangpu barely escaped with their life. The Chief of Police was drowned when trying to get a sampan. The following morning, when they left the City, a foreigner was amongst the captives, he is Father Anselmo, of the Catholic Mission, and the papers never told of his release. Where is he now?

Since that time, January and February have passed. The Reds rambled all over the country in N.W. of the Province. They went once pretty near to Nanchang; so it is not strange that they came also near to Kiukiang. One week before Chinese New Year and one week after, two or three thousand armed Reds were staying in the country between Telan and Kiukiang, West of the Railway line. But from the very beginning they were tracked by the Government troops and every day brought new reinforcements so that the Reds are pretty well surrounded. Our Chinese papers cannot reveal the Government's tactics, but we feel sure that they intend to restrain the circle around the Reds so that this time there is no possibility of escape.

legacy from the days of festive finance, and they and bondholders profited most definitely during the recovery dispute.

MOTOR INDUSTRY

The motor industry involves disagreements far more reaching in possible effects. Wages are comparatively high and the fight turns on the continued existence of company unions or their invalidation order of Federation of labour which may be able to organise control of two hundred thousand workers in the motor industry.

Manufacturers are highly vulnerable in one respect as most of the existing unions will plainly violate section VII of N.R.A. which ordains that in the right to organize and bargain collectively, employees shall be free from interference, restraint or coercion of employers of labour.—Reuter.

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SILVER MARKET

(From Our Special Correspondent)

London, March 19. London silver prices to-day were as follows:—

	March 19	March 17
Spot	194	201
Forward	19.15/16	20.5/16

The London on New York cross-rate at the closing to-day was 5.09 3/16.

RESTORATION OF THE HAPSBURGS

Not Favoured By Roumania

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")

Bucharest, March 17. Answering the interpellation of the Liberal leader, George Bratianu, as to whether the Roumanian Government identified itself with the declaration of the Yugoslav Foreign Minister, Jettitsch, on the Hapsburg question, the Radolescu, declared that the policy of all members of the Little Entente was uniform and the Hapsburg question equally important for all, so that the fundamental ideas of Mr. Jettitsch's speech had the approval of all States of the Little Entente. Any attempt at restoration could not be regarded as a policy of peace, or contributing to the consolidation of Central Europe. Roumania was watching events with the greatest interest and should it become necessary would unite with other States of the Little Entente to pronounce a categorical veto.—Transocean Kuo Min.

PASSENGERS

Arrivals

The following passengers arrived by the ss. Taiyo Maru from Los Angeles and Wayports:—Mr. G. Ito, Mr. P. P. May, Mrs. L. M. May, Mr. Richard C. Miller, Mr. Segundo Ramos, Rev. M. Vanoverbergh, Mr. M. Kuwahara, Mr. Y. Kishi, Mr. M. Miyamura, Miss Y. Asako, Mr. M. Okazaki and Judge S. R. Stern.

THE GRAND NATIONAL

Yesterday's Call Over

London, Mar. 19. The Grand National Call-over follows:—

Golden Miller	21/2, t and o
Forbra	13/1, t and o
Really True	18/1, t and o
Thomond	18/1, o 20/1, t
Ready Cash	18/1, o 20/1, t
De Lanéige	18/1, o
Southern Hero	20/1, t and o
Trocadero	22/1, t and o
Sorley Boy	22/1, o 25/1, t
Gregalach	22/1, o
Pelorous Jack	25/1, o
Fortum	28/1, o 33/1, t
Alpine Hut	28/1, o
Egremont	33/1, o 40/1, t
Francolino	33/1, o 40/1, t
Remus	33/1, o
Uncle Patt	40/1, t and o
Cantillus	40/1, o

THE LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP

London, Mar. 19.

Quartz	10/1, o 21/2, t
Play On	100/9, t and o
Town Crier	100/8, t and o
Ole King Cole	100/7, o 15/1, t
Gino	15/1, t and o
Versicle	100/6, t and o
Generous Gift	100/6, t and o
Madagascar	22/1, t and o
Bleu de Roi	25/1, t and o
Tolalg	25/1, o
St. Oswald	25/1, o
Crumpts	25/1, o
Empire Unity	28/1, t and o
Ringmaster	28/1, o 33/1, t
Latot	28/1, o 33/1, t
Soldier	33/1, o
Obstly	33/1, o
Phlae	35/1, o 40/1, t
Nitschin	40/1, o
Winstar	40/1, o
Old Riley	40/1, o
Crene Carmel	50/1, t and o

—Reuter.

EMPEROR'S BRIDE ARRIVES

Warm Welcome At Hue

Hue, Mar. 19. Ngu Yen Hu Hao had a most popular reception on arriving to-day, at Hue from Saigon. A delegation of the Imperial Family went out to conduct her to her future capital which is lavishly beflagged for impressive ceremonies next week-end.

The Imperial Insignia has been conferred on the Emperor's bride to whom all Annam will swear fealty.

The Empress, like the Emperor was educated in Paris where she wore smart Parisian frocks which she has now exchanged for a gorgeous tunic in the native style.—Reuter.

GATEWAY TO NINGHSIA

General Directs Operations

Peiping, Mar. 19. Combined Shanai and Sulyuan forces have occupied Tengchow, the important gateway to Ninghsia, after heavy fighting which began at dawn.

Fu Tso Yi has arrived at the front to direct operations.

Meanwhile, Sun Tien Ying, who made eight abortive attempts to capture Ninghsia City has ceased further attacks.

Peiping authorities are still willing to consider Sun Tien Ying's demands for the payment of his troops, provided he leaves the troops first.—Reuter.

"MISERABLE" ALLIES

U.S. Has "No Excuse" For Honouring War Debt Defaulters

A request to change the name of "The Boulevard of the Allies," one of Pittsburgh's principal thoroughfares, because America's former Allies have defaulted in the debt payments, has been received by the City Council.

Mr. Frank C. Sauer, president of the Standard Hide Co., suggests in a letter to councillors that there is no excuse for honouring the Allies of the world war, or perpetuating their names, since all of them had "miserably defaulted" in their debts to the United States.

IL DUCE'S SPEECH DISAPPOINTS

"MYSTERIOUS" REFERENCE TO AFRICA

CAUSES MANY OBSERVATIONS IN DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES

Mussolini's Views Described As Dangerous

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")

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Paris, March 19. Mussolini's speech on Sunday, at the Royal Opera House, Rome, came as a great shock to political circles in Paris since the general prevailing opinion was that France had succeeded in admirably playing the part of mediator between Italy and the Little Entente, and improved her relationship with Italy by making no difficulties in Mussolini's Danube policy. In France it had been hoped that this would secure Italy's support for the French standpoint in many current foreign political questions, such as a revision of treaties, security and disarmament.

INDIGNATION AND REGRET

With indignation and regret the French Press says that Il Duce's speech has dashed all such hopes and declares that the views declared by Mussolini are extremely dangerous. The semi-official "Petit Parisien" says that Mussolini's speech causes regrettable disappointment and disturbs the general atmosphere just at a moment when clarification of the international situation is most badly wanted.

Le Journal describes Mussolini's speech as "a general appeal to all those who demand their place in the sun and all malcontents, who are under a pretext that they want injustices remedied to overthrow existing order."

"Mussolini does not demand an understanding," says Le Journal, "but obedience."

L'Echo de Paris, does not hesitate to declare that Mussolini had lost his head for the past year and it is asserted that all his diplomatic initiatives have failed.—Transocean Kuo Min.

"LOOKING AHEAD"

London, Mar. 19.

Commenting on Mussolini's speech at the Royal Opera House, in Rome, on the occasion of the second five year meeting of the Fascist Regime, the diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" said that no passage in the speech has given rise to so many observations in diplomatic circles as "the somewhat mysterious" reference to the African continent. Doubtless, what Mussolini meant by "the necessity of cultural and economic expansion of Fascist Italy in Africa" was first and foremost wider scope for the great Italian-speaking community at Tunis. Probably, however, Mussolini is looking far beyond Tunis and thinking specially of future economic affairs. Il Duce wants new fields in Africa for Italian emigrants, Italian spirit of enterprise as well as an assured share of raw materials available there which Italy wants so urgently.—Transocean Kuo Min.

POLITICAL UNDERTAKINGS

FAILING

Paris, Mar. 19. Surprise, bordering on consternation, is the keynote of Press comment on Mussolini's speech yesterday. Papers are hitherto not unfavourable towards the Three Power Pact but Mussolini's references to the Treaty of Versailles are considered to make him one of the leading revisionists, while his references to France show his vanity hoped for understandings between Italy and France.

Pertinax, in the Echo de Paris says Mussolini's diplomatic undertakings are failing and he feels the need to warm up his audience by trying to out-Goering Goering, while Le Journal says he speaks like a chief laying down the law for the world.

The Petit Parisien opines that Mussolini's words will create an atmosphere of trouble and a regrettable feeling of disappointment, while Le Figaro says France made a great effort to understand Italy's viewpoint, but there are no signs of reciprocation in Il Duce's speech.—Reuter.

NO QUESTION OF CONQUEST

Rome, Mar. 19.

The capital slumbers were disturbed at 4 a.m. by buglers sounding a reveille to awaken Fascists for the second five yearly meeting of the Fascist Regime.

Mussolini, who assigned expansion in Africa as a future task for generations of Italians, said "There is no question of territorial conquest but let not nations in possession block the spiritual economic expansion of Fascist Italy."

Reviewing Foreign relations, Mussolini said relations with Yugoslavia were capable of improvement when circumstances were propitious. Franco-Italian relations were improving, notwithstanding that the issues in the past fifteen years had not progressed substantially towards solution.—Reuter.

CHINESE IN BERLIN

Anniversary Of Far Eastern Society

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")

Berlin, March 17. A distinguished gathering of the Berlin Chinese colony the Chinese Legation, and German Foreign Office met at the auditorium of the Reichs Economic Council, on Saturday, to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the foundation of the Far East Society, the speech being delivered by the General Secretary, Max Linde.

In a comprehensive historical survey, Linde reviewed the successful work of the organisation in reinforcing the cultural bonds between the two countries and recalled with gratitude the assistance afforded by the Society to German refugees in China during the Great War. The speaker also gave an interesting "inside story" of the persevering attempt set up by the German Engineering and Medical schools in Shanghai until the schools were ultimately seized by French troops. Linde expressed profound satisfaction about the work of the Tungshai University on the outskirts of Shanghai in 1924 where German professors actively collaborated with satisfactory results under Chinese management.—Transocean Kuo Min.

GERMAN RAILWAY CARRIAGES

Hardwood Benches To Be Upholstered

(Special to "Hong Kong Daily Press")

Berlin, March 18. All third class railway carriages will be withdrawn in the present year and the historic hardwood benches will be transformed into soft upholstered couches—in a double effort to ease travel for passengers and to further ease the pressure of unemployment on the labour market.

This decision, which was announced by the National Railway Corporation on Sunday, calls for the immediate padding of wooden furniture in third class cars on all express and regular train services.—Transocean Kuo Min.

HOME FOOTBALL

RANDOM NOTES

If comparisons be made in other directions it will be seen that Grimsby are three points ahead of Stoke City at this date last year, and that Brentford are only two points behind Tottenham Hotspur. There is a sanguine feeling in the Brentford camp, but it is necessary for both these clubs to keep their eyes on Preston North End, who have earned nine points during February, and seem to be as fresh and effective as when the season commenced. In the Southern section Norwich City have a point in hand as compared with Brentford twelve months ago, but the Norfolk eleven have played two more matches than the Middlesex club. Chatterfield, with almost the same goal average as Hull City at the close of last February, have five more points to their credit. All these clubs have made a gallant and sustained effort, and are likely to realise their ambitions, although Arsenal are once again hampered by Cup complications.

The matches in the First Division were, yesterday, just as determined and as close in figures as a fortnight ago, for five were drawn and three won by the visitors, who in each game had only one goal in hand. Both West Bromwich Albion and Aston Villa were vanquished at home. Aston Villa introduced a new right half-back in Thomas Gardner, a Lancashire man, who has passed nearly two years in the service of Hull City. A well-built young player he has been under keen observation, and has pleased many critics. But the new man could not keep in check the left-wing of Stoke, for Johnson is, by his own shooting, he decided the issue, for only Beresford could score for the Villa. It was no small success to keep Astley from counting. Stoke City's win should give them much more hope, as their last three matches have brought in six points.

West Bromwich Albion have only been able to score once in each of their engagements with Birmingham. Each club has won on the ground of its opponents. Gilden, the Albion captain, counted first yesterday, but in the second half Birmingham were able to win by goals from Roberts and White, two raw recruits who were brought out of obscurity on the same day in October. Clearly, Mr. George Liddell, the manager, has an eye for a player in the making. Birmingham are moving in the right direction. The other victory for visitors stands to the credit account of the striving Arsenal. Week after week Albert Beasley is consolidating his claim to a permanency. In his third season he has proved his versatility, virility, and marksmanship. He got the goal that enabled Arsenal to reverse last season's result at Newcastle, by a fine oblique shot when on the half-turn after he had tricked an adversary. This was a stimulating success.

Two of the Yorkshire clubs won well. Leeds United overcame Manchester City and Sheffield United "turning the tables" on Wolverhampton Wanderers. Each match was won by the same score. It may be that Manchester City were suffering from absenteeism and fatigue, the sequel to their mid-week Cup-tie, but Leeds United also won at Manchester. Firih, who seldom plays, Mahon, and Furness scored. For Sheffield United, Boyd, the ex-centre of Clyde, put on the winning goals. The success of Sheffield United became of additional value when Chelsea lost a point at Middlesbrough owing to Jennings making an accurate drive from the penalty-spot. McAulay came under the ban of the referee. Towards the close, Chelsea were awarded a penalty kick. As Gallagher made no mistake, the spoils were divided. Nevertheless, Chelsea are handicapping themselves by illegitimate tactics.

Leicester City are, in a very happy mood. They have not lost a match this year, and if their new centre, Gardner, of the Heart of Midlothian, maintains the standard he set against Portsmouth in mid-week the Midland team are not likely to lose. Huddersfield did not allow Gardner to run between their ranks, but while they were matching him Maw, one of the two Englishmen in the Leicester vanguard, slipped the ball into the net. Maw is clever, but not so deadly in front of goal as he promised. Among the drawn matches it seems as if Liverpool have much reason to be thankful to Morrison, who is known as a fine half-back. Generally he scores once a season, and his goal in the latter half of the Sunderland match brought a point that may even be more valuable than it looks now. Another man from Merseyside, Cun-

THE HONOURS LIST

Prospective Champions

Each leading club in the four competitions of the Football League left the field victorious yesterday, and as Arsenal, Grimsby Town, and Chesterfield were playing away from their headquarters and Norwich City had a severe test at home, the results gain in importance. At this period of the season, when the overwhelming majority of the clubs have been dismissed from the Association Cup tournament and the date is drawing near when clubs cannot reinforce their elevens, if either struggling for high honours or seeking safety to retain their membership, it seems timely to glance at the teams that are at the head of affairs. The clubs in the tangle at the base of the tables, are in dire distress, and when the seven grouped in the dangerous zone of the First Division all earn some reward, as yesterday, the most that obscures the future cannot be pierced.

In spite of manifold troubles, Arsenal are fighting desperately to retain the League championship. When February was at an end last year Arsenal had won twenty matches and earned forty-six points. Clearly they are two points in arrears at the moment. How can this be accounted for? The goal average at this date twelve months ago was 91-44. There has been a tremendous decline in scoring power, but such a strengthening of defence that the club has been able to hold on to the premier position. The defenders, however, are severely taxed, and may not be able to maintain their magnificent resistance. Last year March was a poor month for Arsenal, but April brought a brilliant finish. The Highbury goal may retain the championship, especially if Huddersfield and Derby County forfeit points as yesterday. The First Division programme is full of interest.

The two visiting clubs who won in the Second Division are playing good football. Plymouth Argyle recast their eleven yesterday, but they could not prevent Grimsby from annexing the four points in dispute between them.

The defeat was not so decisive as at Grimsby, but Craven and Glover did enough. This Lincolnshire club have won eighteen points away from home and have twice beaten Preston North End, who repeated a memorable Cup Tie success at Bolton two or three seasons ago. Bargh has not been given much scope in this campaign, but he has got a goal in each against Bolton Wanderers. His thrust was completed by a successful shot from Fetherstone, a rover who seems to have a sure foot. It is not easy to understand why Stoke City transferred him to Preston. Manchester United, who have won only one match this year, are in a most perilous position. The idea of Third Division matches being played on their splendid Old Trafford ground seems almost repulsive. Another old Stoke player, Bussey, is playing with much effect for Blackpool, who need to maintain their present form in order to accompany Grimsby to another sphere. Primarily Norwich City owed their victory over Queen's Park Rangers to what strong and aggressive outside right, Warner. A goal in hand at the start of a keen and vigorous game decided the issue. As Coventry and Reading were also defeated the prospects of the Norfolk club became much brighter. The win of Chesterfield was their best when on tour since they overcame York City and Doncaster. Away in Scotland Partick Thistle surprised the Hearts and everyone else by scoring seven goals, a total they have not reached since August 12. It is rare for the Hearts to concede more than a goal.

ATTENDANCES.
The leading attendances at yesterday's League matches were:
Newcastle v. Arsenal ... 40,000
Tottenham v. Portsmouth ... 35,000
Aston Villa v. Stoke ... 30,000
Leicester v. Huddersfield ... 30,000
West Bromwich A. v. Birmingham ... 30,000
Bolton v. Preston N.E. ... 28,000
Norwich v. Queen's Park ... 21,000
Liverpool v. Sunderland ... 20,000
Brentford v. Oldham ... 20,000
Derby County v. Sheffield W. ... 18,000
Sheffield United v. Wolverhampton ... 18,000
Fulham v. Burnley ... 18,000
Plymouth v. Grimsby ... 18,000

life, of Everton, took a goal at Blackburn that caused some anxiety until Harper was able to equalise. Cunliffe is a forward with rare ball control, a sense of position and of the right time to shoot. Given the opportunity, Cunliffe should make a reputation.

FOOTBALL COUNCIL MEETING

Junior Shield Final, May Be Postponed

At the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Council held yesterday, Mr. W. Pryde, hon. secretary of the Hongkong Football Club was elected a member in succession to Mr. J. Ralston who has been appointed vice-president of the Hongkong Football Association.

As the date for the Senior and Junior Shield finals has been fixed for March 24, Mr. W. R. Hughes, the representative for the Royal Navy, applied for permission to postpone the game. He said, the majority of the fleet were leaving for exercises about that time.

Captain Fleetwood, the Royal Artillery representative, remarked that his team could only play on that day. Most of the players in the team had already played once for the first team, and as practically the whole of the first team had already left for Home, they would in all probability be called upon to do service in that division again, in which case they would not be eligible to play for the Junior final. Apart from this, Capt. Fleetwood said, there was the financial question to consider. The Junior team was entitled to get 5% of the gate receipts and as the Senior final would also be playing on the same ground, the amount involved would be considerable.

Mr. Hughes said that it would be rather difficult for the Navy to field a team on that day as most of the ships would not be in harbour.

On the proposal of Mr. R. Hall, it was eventually decided that if the Navy could not field a team on the day in question, the Council would stretch the point of giving the Junior teams their usual 5% of the net receipts, and allow the Royal Artillery to reinstate their players who would be called upon to play for the first division more than once.

Charity Cup Final
Subject to the above rearrangement it had been decided to play the finals on the Hong Kong Football Club ground on March 24.

Senior Final: South China v. Borderers (4.30).

Junior Final: Navy v. Artillery (2.30).

The final for the Sunday Herald Charity Cup between China and Wales was fixed for Easter Monday, commencing at 3.30. Mrs. D. C. Wilson would be called upon to present the cup.

A letter was read from Lady Southern signifying her agreement to present the Prizes at the Shield finals.

LOCAL RUGGER

"Adventure" And "Empress"

The rugby team of H.M.S. Adventure defeated the representatives of the Empire of Britain by 21 points (3 tries, 1 goal and 1 drop goal) to nil on the Navy playing field at Happy Valley yesterday.

Although they failed to score, the "Empress" players were prominent throughout "the game," but their breakaways were foiled by skilful tackling by the Navy, while the forward line of the latter worked in unison and cut through the defence by speedy runs from the scrums.

After ten minutes play Lieut. Parkes Smith ran through to open the Navy account with an unconverted try, which was all the scoring before the interval.

Five minutes after the interval E. R. A. Philip scored, the effort, however, failing to bring the major points. Philip followed this up with a drop goal and soon after prettily evaded the defence for another unconverted try.

Lieut. Parkes Smith ran through again to score the fourth try and Sub-Lieut. Franks scored the last try.

H.M.S. Adventure:—A. B. Evans, M. Nemes, E. R. A. Philip, Lieut. Parkes Smith, E. R. A. Johns, Sub-Lieut. Franks, Shipwright, Hill, Lieut. Peers, M. Pickett, Shipwright, Angear, Lieut. Collier, A. B. Nott, Tel. Yeomans, E. R. A. Phillips and St. Halliwell.

Empress of Britain:—M. Sturt, F. W. Evans, W. C. Carroll, F. Blundell, F. Kayser, L. Bourne, T. Allen, F. Nottley, J. England, L. Gibson, G. Clarke, L. R. Gee, G. Skelcher, W. Williams and G. Dunn.

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KOWLOON MARATHON RACE

L/Cpl. Farmery Wins Easily

With the exception of T. Cranston, the 28 entrants who faced the starter in the Kowloon Marathon Race over a seven-mile course were composed entirely of service men.

L/Cpl. Farmery of the Lincolnshire Regiment, who led all the way finished the course a good winner by 10 seconds, while Pte. Cross of the Borderers and A. B. Carter of H.M.S. Cornwall fought a thrilling neck and neck race throughout the course, the latter leading for the first three miles after which Cross forged ahead to take second place by the wide margin of 25 seconds.

The Lincolnshire Regiment were well represented in the ten after the first, second and third places, Pte. H. Smith, L/Cpl. C. Thornhill, L/Cpl. J. Thornhill and Pte. Lancaster of the Lincolns coming in fourth, fifth, seventh and eleventh, respectively.

As usual a large crowd followed the runners in motorcars and on bicycles.

At the conclusion of the race Mrs. W. Walton Rogers, wife of the Rev. W. Walton Rogers distributed the prizes.

Prize List
First prize donated by Mr. V. M. Grayburn-L/Cpl. Farmery. (Lincolnshire), Second Prize donated by Mr. E. Abraham, Pte. Cross (Borderers), Third prize donated by Mr. F. C. Hall, A. B. Carter (Cornwall).

The following came in the order named:—

Pte. H. Smith (Lincolnshire), L/Cpl. C. Thornhill (Lincolnshire), Ldg. Sea. Barton (Cornwall), L/Cpl. J. Thornhill (Lincolnshire), Pte. Price (20) (Borderers), L/Cpl. Gibbs (Borderers), Pte. Strickland (Borderers), Pte. Lancaster (Lincolnshire), Ldg. Sea. Kiley (Cornwall) and Pte. Clapp (Borderers).

The following officials were:—Mr. J. P. Robinson-Starter, Captain R. S. C. Bates, Captain Primer and the Rev. W. Walton Rogers, Judges of the Course, Dr. E. D. Matthews, Medical Officer.

THE BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP

Three Doubles Finals for Decision

VERY CLOSE CONTESTS ANTICIPATED

Last week the second leg of the semi-finals of the men's Badminton singles championship of Shanghai was played off between Blum and Wade, resulting in a win for Blum by 15-3, 15-8. This is the first time Blum has appeared in the final and it is expected that he will make a good showing against Meise, as he has energy to spare and is untireable.

The finals should produce some first-class play. In the mixed doubles, the Country Club pair, Mrs. Reader Harris and Lt.-Col. J. Pelly will give Mrs. Cate and Meise a hard run and it is not improbable that the two new trophies presented by Messrs. Slazenger's will repose in the Country Club for their first year's stay in Shanghai.

The ladies' doubles is going to be a good match with Mrs. Sinclair and Mrs. Goddard against Miss Eardley and Miss Kew. The married ladies have experience on their side, as against youth and energy possessed by the single girls and a really good game is expected. After the ladies have seen the two beautiful cups presented by the Dunlop Rubber Co. as trophies, the shuttles will fly.

The men's doubles should prove interesting. Meise and Barents played Edmunds and Kay last year in the final and are playing them again this year. The two splendid cups presented two years ago by Messrs. Sykes and Co. are worth a lot of effort to win.

It will be of interest to Badminton players to know from whom came all the fine trophies owned by the Shanghai Badminton Association. For the leagues, the ladies' doubles was presented by Mr. R. M. J. Martin; the 1st and 2nd division men's doubles by Messrs. H. J. Sheridan and R. N. Swann; and the 1st and 2nd division mixed doubles by the Cercle Sportif Français. For the championships, the ladies' and men's singles were presented by the Shanghai Badminton Association; the men's doubles by Messrs. Sykes and Co.; the ladies' doubles by Messrs. Slazenger's; and the mixed doubles by the Dunlop Rubber Co.

to the funds of the Society by the Hong Kong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League.

LOCAL TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Tsui Enters Final

RICKETTS LOSES IN FIVE SET MATCH

Tsui Wai Pui, favourite for the singles title crown, went pretty near to defeat yesterday, in his semi-final match against G. R. M. Ricketts. Ricketts, after being two sets down, staged a brilliant recovery to make the score two sets all. At this stage of the game, high hopes were entertained of the Briton entering the final, as Tsui was playing exceedingly poor tennis. Ricketts, however, fell to pieces in the final set, which he lost without putting up any struggle.

Tsui was playing tennis of a very mediocre standard yesterday and was lucky to come off victorious in a semi-final tie.

The first two sets were featured with dull tennis. Ricketts impressed with clever counteract, but was inclined to be erratic, and frequently sent easy balls to the net. The British player kept Tsui running from corner to corner. Tsui was content with simply returning the ball to let Ricketts make all the mistakes. Tsui won the first two sets by 6-4, 6-4.

The game should never have progressed beyond the third set, had Tsui played a more enterprising game. The C.R.C. representative, however, put up a rather indifferent display and allowed his opponent to win the third set by 6-4. Ricketts thoroughly deserved winning the fourth set, in which he worried Tsui with some accurate placements along the side lines. Ricketts' forehand drive was working in a beautiful manner.

Ricketts altered his tactics in the final set and chose to play a defensive game. Tsui readily seized this lapse on the part of the Briton, and had no difficulty in annexing the final set by 6-1.

Ho Ka Lau Wins

A fast game was witnessed between Ho Ka Lau and J. Leonard. Ho Ka Lau was on the aggressive from the start and had the Cragen-gower player well beaten in two straight sets, including one love set. Ho Ka Lau now meets Tam Yoc Fong in the semi-final on Wednesday. He beat Leonard by 6-2, 8-0.

RIFLE SHOOTING

Belilios Shield Competition

The above competition was fired off on Sunday, the 17th inst., at Stonecutters Range. The Hong Kong Rifle Club holder of the above Shield suffered their first defeat in the hands of Stonecutters Range Staff but scored a win against the R.A.O.C. in a three cornered contest. Conditions throughout were fairly good except for the light which was rather tricky and makes it difficult for the longer Range.

Scores on the whole was very poor.

SCORES
Hong Kong Rifle Club
P/O Denby 200 500 600 Total
J. Tetley 28 29 31 88
F. P. Sequeira 28 22 27 77
W. Austin 23 23 24 74
J. Hall 19 28 25 72
J. Grenham 25 22 20 67

Plus 4% 460

468.84

Stonecutters Range Staff

Sgt. Light 200 500 600 Total
F/O Mayo 31 31 29 91
C.P.O. Wylam 29 29 32 89
Sgt. Burnett 27 30 30 87
Capt. Blanford 26 32 28 86
C.P.O. Black 29 31 26 86

527

R.A.O.C.

*Cpl. Stephens 27 31 26 84
*Sgt. Allen 29 29 25 83
*E.C. Donaldson 24 28 23 75
*Cpl. Goad 30 18 24 72
*Sgt. Tod 22 22 21 65
*Capt. Cresswell 16 17 25 58

435

Plus 4% 17.40

452.40

*Plus 4% for Open sights

JAPANESE WARSHIP ARRIVES

Accompanied by three destroyers, Ashi, Hishi and Sumire, the Japanese cruiser Idzumo with Vice-

LOCAL HOCKEY

International Games Last Evening

A very fine game of hockey was witnessed on the Marina ground yesterday when England defeated Scotland by 3 goals to 1 after extra time, in the first round of the International series.

The game was played at a very fast pace throughout and both sets of defences excelled against fast combinations of forwards.

Scotland opened the scoring through S. MacNider who scored a very good goal from a difficult position, Scotland holding the lead until after the interval.

In the second half England dominated play and equalised through Lt. Garthwaite. Countless opportunities were missed by both sets of forwards, and this must be in some part attributed to the brilliant defensive tactics displayed by both sides.

The last minutes of the game saw England pressing but Scotland held out, this resulting in extra time.

In the first half of the extra time Divett put England in the lead and soon after Lt. Garthwaite put the issue beyond doubt with a fine goal.

G. Duncan played a good game between the sticks for Scotland, while both combinations of forwards were good.

England made two changes in the team originally advertised, G. E. R. Divett deputising for Lieut. Comdr. Atkinson who failed to make an appearance, while W. Reed came in as left half instead of his brother E. V. Reed who is indisposed.

PORTUGAL WINS

In a game featured by an excellent and spirited defence in spite of overwhelming odds, Germany were defeated by 4 clear goals for Portugal on the Naval Recreation ground, King's Park yesterday.

Portugal's forwards were much superior to their opposites who threw away countless opportunities by fruitless long forward passes.

Sommer, in defence for Germany, played a brilliant game and was instrumental in breaking up innumerable attacks by the opposing forwards, while Ammann in goal was superb.

Pract. among the forwards, was responsible for some fine solo efforts which lacked the necessary support to carry them through, otherwise there might have been an entirely different complexion on the game.

Beltrao at pivot for Portugal was a tower of defence, while Rodrigues was superb in defence clearing with first time efforts.

O. de Souza (3) and Pinto scored for Portugal.

WIN FOR INDIA

A brilliant goal by Lal Singh marked the turning point in the International Hockey encounter between India and Wales which resulted in a win for the former by three clear goals after they were held for the first half of the game which provided a goalless score.

The Indian forwards were superb with the exception of Kalwant Singh who definitely experienced an off day and could do very little right.

Jones of the Welsh team was extremely unlucky not to score in the first half when twice he swept through to defence, only to fail a few feet from goal.

Lal Singh in defence was wonderful and let very little pass him.

Lal Singh on India's left wing was superb and his opening goal was a brilliant piece of opportunism, hooking the ball after a diagonal run to intercept a pass. Soon after India was awarded a penalty bully as a result of Flynn falling on the ball in the goalmouth. From the resultant bully-off, Flynn kicked the ball and India were awarded a goal.

Just before the end Awtar Singh finished off a brilliant solo effort with a fine goal.

SHANGHAI FOOTBALL RECORD

Worcesters Beat Chinan By 20 Goals To 1

Shanghai, Mar. 19.
A feature of the week-end soccer in Shanghai was the record achieved by the 2nd Bn. Worcestershire Regiment, who overwhelmed the Chinan Chinese eleven, which plays in the premier league here, by 20 goals to 1.

Kenrick scored seven times and Smith five times.—Reuter.

Admiral Shimjiro Imamura on board, arrived here yesterday morning shortly after 9 o'clock.

"A country" salute of 21 guns was fired by the Idzumo as she entered port and a reply was fired from Blackhead Fort.

A Vice-Admiral's salute of 15 guns was fired from the Cumberland, the Idzumo replying.

Official calls between Vice-Admiral Imamura, His Excellency the Governor (Sir William Peel) and Commodore Frank Elliott will be exchanged this morning.

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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 25th March, 1934, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,

Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 9th March, 1934. [2313]

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Sixty-fifth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the undersigned on TUESDAY, the 27th MARCH, 1934, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1933.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 27th March, 1934, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.

General Managers,

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, 6th March, 1934. [2334]

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry

Forms for the Second Extra Race Meeting, to be held on SATURDAY, the 31st MARCH, and MONDAY, the 2nd APRIL, 1934 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Gloucester Building; The Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kyong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 22nd MARCH, 1934.

By Order.

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

YACHTING

Fourth Ladies' Race

The above race, sailed yesterday, resulted as under:—

"H" Class—Started At 3 P.M.

Diana (Miss M. Whitham) Pen.

Colleen (Mrs. B. Home) 2

Ariel (Miss B. Fair) 3

Dorothea (Mrs. Coote) 1

"I," "Y" & "G" Classes—Started At 3.10 P.M.

Alisa (Miss Bilderbrake) 4

Robena (Mrs. Marshall) 3

Zephyr (Mrs. Wren) 2

King

MACAO RACES

Entries And Weights
For Sunday

Entries and Handicaps for The Spring Race Meeting to be held at Macao on Sunday, March 25, 1934, are published below:—

1. The Spring Handicap (Second Section) "D" & "E" Classes—Once Round:—Bold Commander (155), Bold Lad (140), Bran Tub (150), Brutus (140), City of Shanghai (155), Esk (156), Glen Shee (158), Happy Man (140), Jingle (153), Wapiti (150).

2. The Trial Plate M. Sub. Grif—6 Furlongs:—Armistice Day (141), Can Do (144), Harbour View (149), Heart's Joy (149), Lightning King (144), Little Chance (146), Potsdam (153), Racing Joy (144), Racing Lad (143), Sea View (156), Semper Idem (146), Sporting Chance (149).

3. The Spring Handicap (First Section) "D" & "E" Classes—Once Round:—Adam (140), Ajax (148), Banjolina (145), Cebu (155), Iron Grey (154), King Salmon (149), Powerful King (165), Widnes (158).

4. The Spring Dash (Unofficial) "D" & "E" Classes—5 Furlongs:—Post Entries (To be ridden by Ladies).

5. The Macao Derby Stakes M. Sub. Grif—One & A Half Miles:—Heart's Joy (149), Lightning King (144), Little Chance (146), Potsdam (153), Racing Joy (144), Racing Lad (143), Sea View (156), Semper Idem (146), Sporting Chance (149).

6. The Chairman's Cup, Non-Winning Griffins—One Mile:—Bay View (168), Bold Marshal (146), Colombo (146), Ebony Idol (148), Glorious Sun (155), Gold Bullion (155), Lemberg (165), Limelight (150), Morning Sun (143), Pie Face (143), Prima Donna (166), Racing Pride (161), Soldier of Germany (158), Sporting Life (158), Sweet Life (146), William Osler (143), What a Chance (143), Zero (143).

7. The Eve Cup, Non-Winning HK Sub-Griffins—One Mile:—Bold Commander (150), Bran Tub (148), Brass Idol (150), City View (145), Co-Ship (145), Dare Devil (145), Sarabande (159), The Carp (159), Utopian (145), Wapiti (145).

GOLF

Bogey (Par) Rool at the Fanling Golf Course on March 17 and 18.
G. Miskin (16), 2 up wins—37 entries.

JOCKEY CLUB

Classification

AUSTRALIAN PONIES

"A" Class

Able Amazon, Alacrity, Bag Tor, Bobnack Star, Bronze Era, Mutiny Bay, Nell Gwyn, Night Star, Polar Star, Racing Heart, Rosy Morn, What's That, Woodland Stag.

"B" Class

Atlas, Australian Boy, But After That, Cheeky Face, City of Brisbane, Dancing Hall, Dinty, Empire Day, Panling Fox, Plummery, Friar Tuck, Glorious Star, Golden Dawn, High Finance, Just That, Kilrea, Lucy Glitters, Macbeth, Mermald, Portia, Princess Angeline, Racing Streak, Ration, Saucy Face, St. Joan, Sunup, Tecumseh, The Giraffe, The Goose, Vriday.

CHINA PONIES

"A" Class

Bag & Baggage, Brilliant Star, Cossack's Beauty, Diana Bay, Don, Gleneagles, Hetman, Hydroplane, King's Justice, Liberty Bay, Lunar Star, Sadko, Soldier of Britain, Trentbridge.

"B" Class

Blue Star, Boxing Eve, Brechin, Bright Star, Bright View, Chateau Bay, Daylight Eve, Electric Star, Flying Tourist, Gay Crusader, King's Bounty, King's Warden, Mayflower, Navy Hall, New Star, Pride of Tsinngao, Soldier of China, The Tiger, Valorous.

"C" Class

Barquet Hall, Bayardo, Bay View, Beta, Bistre, Bold Marshal, Budge, Chief Seattle, Chivalrous, Colombo, Copperfield, Diego, Ebony Idol, Fair View, Fudge, Glad Eyes, Gladiator, Glorious Sun, Gold Bullion, Gold Currency, Great Hall, Heart's Glory, High Life, High Speed, Hot Heels, Hot Sun, Jingle Jim, King's Fancy, King's Worthy, Lemberg, Limelight, Macaroni, Marquis Hall, Midday Sun, Mike, Monoplane, Morning Sun, Mortmain, Oak Bay, Pie Face, Poker Face, Prima Donna, Racing Boy, Racing Luck, Racing Pluck, Racing Pride, Racing Triumph, Ribble, Rose Leaf, Royal Flush, Sandy Bay, Shaughraun, Solar Star, Soldier of Germany, Spinaway, Sporting Life, Street Singer, Sweet Life, The Red Shank, Tillam, Tso Tak, Tummel, Vago, Vigilance, Wakefield, Waterloo, Wayward Stag, West Parade, What a Chance, White Jade Stag.

William Osler, Wonderful Stag, Zero.

"D" Class

Adam, Ajax, Amoy, Banjolina, Bold Commander, Bold Lad, Burgomaster, Cavalcade, Cebu, Chesterfield, Chow Fan, Classic Hall, Copper Idol, Corrie, Dancing Butterfly, De Minimis, Festival Eve, Fi-Fa, Gay Butterfly, Golden Dragon, Hell for Leather, Heter Skelter, Hey Tor, In Good Time, Iron Grey, Ironsides, King Salmon, King Willow, King's Company, King's Parade, National Day, No Fear, Now's The Time, Orlando, Panama, Partnership, Philanderer, Powerful King, Racing Spirit, Red Fox, Sarabande, Smiling Face, Snappy Eve, Soldier of Fortune, Soldier of Italy, Surprise, The Carp, The Crook, The Gadget, The Panther, Tiny Star, Warrington, Wemby Stag, Widnes, Young Chap.

"E" Class

Antamok, Black Velvet, Blue Danube, Bran Tub, Brass Idol, Christmas Belle, City of Shanghai, City View, Co-ship, Dare Devil, Delightful Chance, Double Five, Esk, Gallant Fox, Glen Shee, Jib-sheet, Jingle, Just Imagine, Kindo, Kitsap, Little Beauty, Mistletoe, Racing Beauty, Racing Strain, Scar Face, Skiddaw, St. Ives, Sunning, Swastika, The Bodega, The Poehard, The Rainstorm, The Ruddy Sheidrake, Toishan, Utopian, Valley Hall, Wapiti, Young Hero.

SUSPECTED ILLEGAL
POSTAL AGENCYLocal Authorities Investigating
Alleged Secret Organ

The postal authorities in Shanghai believe they have come across the tracks of a secret postal agency alleged to be maintained by Japanese and several former Chinese postal employees for carrying mails between Shanghai and Manchuria by way of Dairen.

It is suspected that mails to Manchuria are being sent to the agency with all expenses paid before the departure of a mail boat, while the agency issues a receipt for them, guaranteeing safe delivery. No stamps are, however, placed on the mail matter. The charge is 10 cents per letter irrespective of size and weight. The transportation of such mail matter is limited to three bags on each trip, it is believed.

ALLEGED
MURDER OF
WOMAN

Fisherman Charged

Wong Ma Cho, a 36 year old fisherman of Tung Wan, Chai Tsai Village, Cheung Chau Island was charged before Mr. Justice A.D.A. MacGregor, K.C. at the Criminal Sessions yesterday with the murder of Ng Lan Fun, a fisherwoman at the same village by pushing her into the sea on December 27.

The following jury was empanelled to hear the case:—Messrs. S. J. C. Stanesby (foreman), J. K. Leghorn, L. Altire, J. Ormlison, J. C. Guterres, A. W. Hayward, A. Mylo.

Mr. R. C. H. Lim, instructed by Mr. Peter Sin, appeared for the prisoner and Mr. A. J. Fraser, Assistant Attorney General, prosecuted.

Outlining the case for the prosecution, Mr. Fraser said the woman went to live at Tung Wan in October last and though she appeared to be under the patronage of accused, to whom she was related, she slept in the hut of another fisherman named Wong Lam.

About December 27, accused and Ng Lan-fun, with two men Ng Siu-cheung and Ng Ma-yuen, set off at 4 a.m. for the island of Papei where they intended to cut grass. Accused was steering, and Ng Lan-fun was sitting beside him. A quarrel arose between the two followed by an interval of silence. Suddenly accused pushed the woman into the water. The two men who were rowing attempted to turn the boat round to effect a rescue but accused steered the boat away from the scene. There did not seem to have been any determined attempt to save the woman who was seen to sink beneath the waters. The men returned to their homes without cutting grass and a few days later the incident was reported to the police who arrested accused.

Accused's Statement.
When charged, he said: "I did cause her to drop into the water. Her husband a few days ago wrote me a letter. She wanted to marry again and I did not want her to. In consequence of this I caused her death."

Giving evidence in the Lower Court proceedings, accused said: "Ng Lan-fun is my relative. Her husband asked me to look after her. He wrote me several letters. She wanted to marry again and I advised her not to. She refused my advice and I struck her to death." Later he added that he did not know whether or not the woman could swim.

Mr. J. R. G. Wyatt formally deposed as to the accuracy of an Admiralty Chart produced in Court giving the positions of the islands.

Wong Lam said the woman used to sleep in a cubicle outside his hut. She had remarked a day or so before her disappearance that she would be going away soon. She did not say where she was going.

Ng Siu-cheung gave evidence that he and Ng Ma-yuen were in the boat when the woman was pushed overboard. Accused and Ng Lan-fun began to quarrel after they had been on the water a short time.

"Pushed Her In"
"He accused her of adultery," continued witness. "She replied that she did not want to become his (accused's) wife. He then let go of his oar and pushed her with both hands into the water."

Witness added that actually an interval of about 15 minutes elapsed after the quarrel before accused pushed her into the water. "She struggled and screamed in the water for about a quarter of an hour. I was trying my best to save her by leaning over the side of the boat but as I tried to grab her, accused kept turning the boat away from her. When she had sunk, accused told us to row back to Cheung Chau."

Cross-examined, witness adhered to his story.

In reply to his Lordship, witness said he remonstrated with accused for the manner in which he manoeuvred the boat, saying "I want to save her." Accused replied "Never mind."

The case was adjourned until this morning.

"ON THE SPOT"

To Be Given To-Night

"While Parents Sleep" presented by the Grant Anderson Comedy Company again delighted a large audience at the King's Theatre last night.

Tonight, the talented Company are putting on the famous Edgar Wallace's play "On the Spot" and those who have not yet seen this production should not miss the opportunity as the Company are very capable and talented as evidenced by the reception they had in "While Parents Sleep."

PUBLIC MONEY
VOTESItems To Come Before
Finance Committee

A long list of items are to come before the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council on Thursday, particulars of which are as follows:—

Medical Department \$88.00
Education Department, Incidental Expenses \$454.00
Prisons Departments—Special Expenditure Colonial Secretary's Office and Legislature—Unpassed Cadets in Training \$7,743.00

In 1932 it was decided to send newly selected Cadet Officers to Oxford or Cambridge to undergo a course of instruction in economics, currency, trade, common law, criminal law, phonetics and tropical hygiene before proceeding to Hong Kong.

The expenditure incurred for these courses during 1933 for four officers amounts to \$7,742.37 for which no provision was made in the Estimates for that year.

Fire Brigade.—Repairs to Motor Engines and Plant \$73.00

Miscellaneous Services, Transport of Government Servants \$87,758.00

The amount for this service has proved insufficient, the final figures for the year showing an over-expenditure of \$37,758 for which a supplementary vote is requested. The expenditure for the last three years was as follows:—

1931 \$489,742
1932 487,734
1933 487,758

Estimates, 1934

Defence "A" Volunteer Defence Corps, Equipment Flying Section \$300.00

Public Works Extraordinary, Fire Protection, Green Island Gunpowder Depot \$4,800.00

In order that suitable precautions may be taken against fire at the Government Gunpowder Depot, Green Island, where large quantities of explosives are held, it is considered necessary to install a fire hydrant service with a reserve water storage tank.

Public Works Extraordinary, Infant Welfare Centre \$3,600.00

It is proposed to rent and adapt premises at No. 225 Nathan Road, Kowloon (ground floor) for use as an Infant Welfare Clinic. The estimated cost of alterations, electrical fittings and furniture is \$3,600 for which a Supplementary Vote is requested.

Prisons Department—Special Expenditure \$192.00

Public Works Extraordinary, Water Works, 37, New Principal Mains \$8,000.00

In view of the increased development at Stanley it is considered desirable to proceed with improvements to the water supply which could not be foreseen when the Estimates for the current year were framed.

The amount provided in the estimates for this service has already been allotted for essential work in the City and a supplementary vote to meet the estimated cost of the work at Stanley is accordingly requested.

Public Works Extraordinary, Hong Kong, Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, Resumption for Road widening scheme approved by Government as rebuilding occurs \$14,700.00

The provision in the Estimates is insufficient to meet unforeseen expenditure, in respect of the Resumption of the Riding Floor over Sal Woo Lane (No. 225 Queen's Road West) formerly M.L. 92 Section C. The cost of resumption is estimated at \$14,700, which sum allows for the cost of constructing a new staircase to the adjoining house No. 227, where access to the upper floors is at present obtained from the riding floor.

A supplementary vote for \$14,700 is therefore requested.

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• (HAL) m.v. "ERMLAND" for Shanghai, Taku, Dairen, Tsingtau, Yama, Nagoya, Kobe, Osaka 3rd Apr.
• (NDL) s.s. "SAARBRUECKEN" for Shanghai, Taku, Dairen, Tsingtau, Yama, Kobe 9th Apr.
• (HAL) m.v. "BURGENLAND" for Shanghai, Taku, Dairen, Kobe, Yokohama, Nagoya 13th Apr.
• (NDL) s.s. "ISAR" for Shanghai, Taku, Dairen, Tsingtau, Yokohama, Kobe 19th Apr.

HOMEWARD SAILINGS

• (HAL) m.v. "MUNSTERLAND" for Genoa, Marseilles, R'dam, Hamburg 20th Mar.
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• (HAL) s.s. "NORDMARK" for Genoa, M'la, Rotterdam, Hamburg 2nd Apr.
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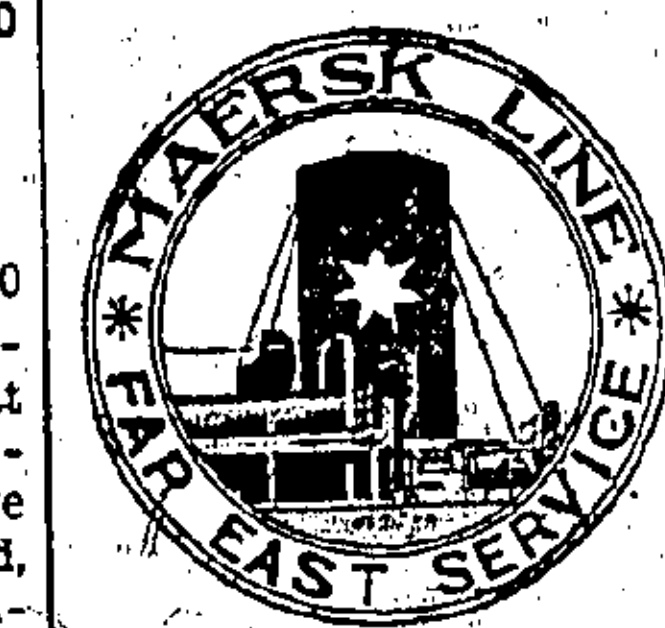
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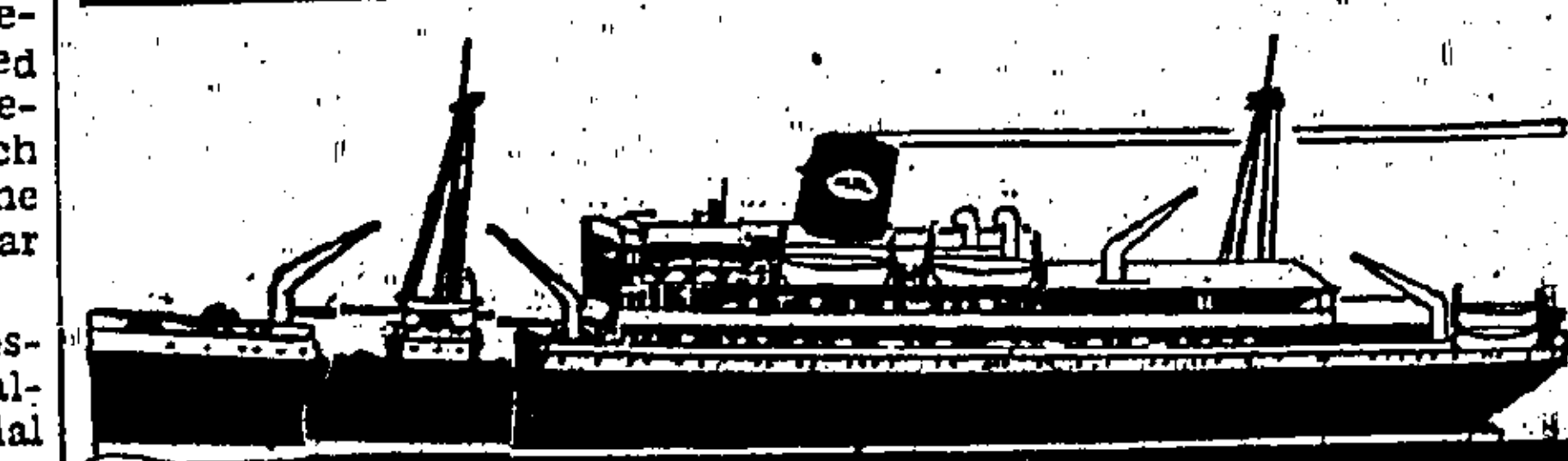
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PORT OF VANCOUVER'S BUSY YEAR

Vancouver, British Columbia.—The port of Vancouver had a busy year in 1933. Increases in almost every commodity shipped through the port were recorded but the outstanding achievement was in the amount of grain handled during the crop season of 1932-33. A new record was established when 98,899,341 bushels were shipped. Exports of lumber also increased from 111,456,004 feet in 1932 to over 140,000,000 feet in 1933. Logs, shingles and manufactured lumber showed similarly proportional increases.

The number and tonnage of vessels using the port advanced considerably, and new overseas lines were added to those visiting Vancouver. A total of 1,116 deep-sea vessels entered the port, representing 13 different nationalities. British ships led with 441; United States ships totalled 233 Japanese 164; Norwegian 102; Swedish 28; Danish 37; German 42; French 21; Dutch 24; Italian 15; Belgian 3; Panama 4 and Jugo Slav 1. One thousand four hundred and fifty-eight foreign coastal vessels and 13,302 local coastal vessels also passed through the First Narrows, the entrance to Vancouver harbour, making a total, including deep-sea and coastal ships, of 15,835.

H.K. POLICE RESERVE

ORDERS BY THE HON. MR. E. D. C. WOLFE, C.M.G., INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE.

Chinese Company
Promotion.—Constable R399 Tso Huk On has been promoted to the rank of Lance Sergeant as from March 12, 1934.
Inspection Parade.—All ranks of the Chinese Company will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, March 22 at 17.30 hours under Sub Inspector R. J. Hunt for a general inspection of equipment etc. by the Commanding Officer. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brace, Armband with Badge, "Pocket Policeman" and note-book to be carried. The Equipment Officer will make it a point of being present.
Training Course—Part II.—There will be no class at the Chinese Company Headquarters on Tuesday, March 20, 1934.

Indian Company
Training Course—Part II.—The following members have been passed out as efficient in Part II of Training Course (Knowledge of Police Duty and Regulations):—Constable: R278 Gurdial Singh, R280 Mohammed Sharif, R281 Sher Mohammed, R289 Mohammed You-sit, and R309 Ajab Khan.
All recruits of the Indian Company residing in Kowloon will attend 3, Chi Woo Street, Kowloon on Wednesday, March 21 at 17.30 hours for instruction.
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Commendation.—Constable R264 A. K. Karamat is commended and granted a commendation service bar by the Hon. Inspector General of Police for zeal displayed in arresting a Chinese male, Yung Sui Kong, for Larceny at the Krishna Silk Store, Hankow Road, on February 23, 1934. Yung Sui Kong was subsequently sentenced to six weeks Hard Labour. Case No 2740.

Flying Squad
Inspection Parade.—All ranks of the Flying Squad will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, March 22 under Sub Inspector R. J. Hunt for a general inspection of equipment etc. by the Commanding Officer. Fall in at 17.30 hours. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brace, Armband with Badge, "Pocket Policeman" and note-book to be carried.
Emergency Unit Reserve
Inspection Parade. All ranks of the Emergency Unit Reserve will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, March 22 at 17.30 hours, and not on Wednesday, March 21 as previously arranged, under Sub Inspector R. J. Hunt for a general inspection by the Commanding Officer. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brace, Armband with Badge, "Pocket Policeman" and note-book to be carried.
(Sgd.) D. L. KING, D.S.P. (R.)
Hong Kong, March 19.

**ONE WAY OF DRIVING
MULES!**
Ottawa.—A novel way of loading a shipment of mules destined for Italy from the Port of Saint John on the Canadian Atlantic coast, was recently used when the animals were assisted into the ship by an electric shocking device. When the mule hesitated it was touched with a piece of weakly electrified wire, a process which greatly facilitated loading.

BANK CRISIS IN CANTON

Eight More Firms Suspend Payment

(From Our Special Correspondent)

Canton, March 18.
While Mr. Ching Yuk Po, Secretary of the Kwangtung Provincial Bank assured representatives of the Press that the bank notes of one-dollar and five-dollar denominations would recover their full value within the shortest possible time, these notes were discounted at 85 cents per dollar last night as against 92 cents late in the afternoon.

At the same time, the notes of the Canton Municipal Bank also dropped from 89 cents to 82 cents per dollar. The rates for the issues of the Provincial and Municipal Banks to-day remained about the same, and the two banks were closed because of the usual Sunday holiday.

A paradox of the present situation is that while sometime ago the Provincial Bank announced that the \$10 notes would be redeemed soon, now even the notes of \$1 and \$5 denominations have reached the lowest depth since their depreciation last November. That the \$10 notes would be redeemed soon was also confirmed by Secretary Ching.

Last night over \$1,000,000 of provincial bank notes flooded the market and, therefore, pushed down the value of this paper money. The government authorities blamed the speculators for this big drop in government notes. Because of this crisis, over eight native banks in Shun Sham Hong, the local Wall Street, suspended business in the course of last week.

Sir Josiah Stamp and Plans for New Rail- Air Service

(Special Air-Mail Service)

London, March 1.
Sir Josiah Stamp, speaking in London to-day at the annual general meeting of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company, dealt with the position of the railways in regard to air transport.
"We have under close consideration the question of exercising our air transport powers, reviewing from time to time the various developments in this country," he said.

"Although it cannot be said that any commercial air services in the world yet stand upon a secure profit-making basis, and this country is not specially suited for such services, the matter has assumed some urgency with us because of the more recent activities of certain established airways companies and their preparations for the inauguration of regular commercial services between important centres in competition with our rail services."

"It is desirable for the four main-line companies to act in co-operation, especially in view of their overlapping interests, and we are agreed that it would be more to our advantage to act in conjunction with them rather than ourselves to attempt to perform the various technical services required."

"We are accordingly in process of negotiation with Imperial Airways, Limited, for a separate company, jointly owned with them, to provide such services as any of the railway companies may desire, but matters are not sufficiently advanced for me to give more specific details."

Sir Joseph said that the record journey on a ten shilling holiday contract ticket was held by a Scotsman who claimed that he had travelled 2501 miles in a week.

NEW BELGIAN KING

At Eton During
The War

(Special Air-Mail Service)

London, March 1.
Prince Leopold, Duke of Brabant, who succeeds to the throne of Belgium at the age of 33, has strong English ties and sympathies. From the beginning of 1915, until October, 1918, he was at Eton, where he formed a friendship with the Duke of Gloucester.

While in England he was the guest of the late Marquis Curzon of Kedleston, at Hackwood.

At the age of 13 years and 5 months he was enrolled in the presence of his father in the Belgian Army as a private.

The ceremony took place on the strip of coast to which King Albert and his troops were at that time—April, 1915—clinging with desperate valour as the last foothold in their ravaged country.

Begged To Enlist
Young Prince Leopold had been for several weeks at Eton. With his younger brother and sister he had been sent to England as a refugee.

But the boy Prince could not settle to lessons while his country was fighting for existence. He pleaded again and again to be allowed to go and join his father, and at last the wish was gratified.

The first work he did on active service was to fill sand-bags. The Prince fell twice as he tried to carry his first bag to the trenches. The "top sergeant" took pity on him, and told him he might hand over his bag, half full, to a more robust private. The Prince insisted on carrying out his work like the rest of the men.

Subsequently he returned to Eton. Dr. Ailingham, Dean of Durham, and formerly Head Master of Eton, said yesterday: "The new King of the Belgians was at Eton when I went there in 1916. I remember him as a very nice boy."

Before the war was over he was back with the Belgian troops, and marched with the then victorious army into Germany after the Armistice.
Since the war he has made four tours in Africa, where he has particularly interested himself in the preservation of wild life in the Belgian Congo. He has also visited the Dutch East Indies and the Far East.

Prince Leopold was guest of honour last November of the African Society in London at a dinner which was also attended by the Prince of Wales. On that occasion he referred to the responsibilities which Britain and Belgium shared in the control of African territories. He is a good horseman, an enthusiastic golfer, and an expert motorist, and plays football and tennis.

Princess Astrid's Democratic Training

In 1928 Prince Leopold married Princess Astrid, daughter of Prince Carl, a brother of the King of Sweden. The Duke of Gloucester represented the King and Queen at the wedding.

Princess Astrid, who is 29, and has been described as one of the most beautiful women in Europe, won all hearts when she came to Belgium.

King Albert said at the time of the betrothal: "The young couple's mutual choice was quite independent of State considerations. Their own hearts set the seal of their destiny."

Princess Astrid's democratic simplicity and charm especially appealed to the Belgian people. Her upbringing had included a complete training in household management, and when she attended a child nursing, crèche in Stockholm she took her work so seriously that she used to cry if her "special baby" failed to put on weight as it should. She carried out all the hard work involved in the course, such as scrubbing floors.

After she had taken up residence at the Chateau de Stuyvenberg, just outside Brussels, her complete lack of ostentation and her readiness to share the ordinary life of the people have given her a popularity comparable to that of the Duchess of York in England.

The new King and Queen have two children, Princess Josephine, aged

COCHRAN'S 1934 THROWOUTS

Musical Feast At
Y.M.C.A.

There was a very large attendance at the Y.M.C.A. last night when a performance of "Cochran's Throwouts of 1934" was presented.

Mr. Ronnie True and his Orchestra are to be congratulated on the part they played in making the presentation such a success. The chorus led by Audrey Steele, consisted of Eve O'Hagan, Margaret King, Rosemary King, Eileen Bonnar, Joan Churchill, Eileen Stubbings and Barbara Hanco. The costumes which were designed by Miss Margaret King deserve special mention and were one of the features of the show.

The programme opened with Overture by the Onoro Band, which went down very well. Then the "Girls" came along in a number entitled "Young and Healthy" which was very well received. A song by Miss Audrey Steele, "Actions Speak Louder Than Words" was well applauded after which Messrs. Jack Grenham and James Ferguson brought the house down with a comedy duo, called "Stanley and Beach." A dance by Audrey Steele and Eve O'Hagan was next on the programme and proved quite popular while "Poor Old Joe" by Jack Grenham, James Ferguson and "Joe" went well, the dialogue being extremely witty. The chorus then brought the first half of the programme to a close.

"Drinks All Round" by Audrey Steele, Jack Grenham and The Girls, opened the second half of the programme which was every bit as entertaining as the earlier part. Ronnie True then gave a few selections on the Piano and the next item "The Shadow Waltz" in which Miss Margaret King sang and Miss Eve O'Hagan and Miss Eileen Stubbings danced, was the outstanding attraction of the evening. Needless to say the audience demanded an encore and registered their appreciation in no uncertain manner.

A Spanish Burlesque by Grenham and Ferguson followed and then most of the girls appeared in Tom Thumb's Drum which preceded the "Happy Ending" in which every one who helped in the concert took part. A most enjoyable evening.

SOCIALISM'S NEXT GOVERNMENT

Success In 5 Years Or
"Number Up"

Sir Stafford Cripps, in a speech at Stafford referred to the next Labour Government, and declared: "If they do not bring about the economic change which we believe is the only solution of the present difficulties, that is the end of the social democracy of the world."

"If they do not get through their plan in the first five years then their number is up."

"I don't think," he added, "the people of this country are going to have a fourth shot at the Labour party. The next will be the third, and unless a real and fundamental change is achieved I don't think that even I would be in favour of trying another."

Land And Money First
Sir Stafford urged that when the Labour party was returned to power it would be essential to take over the financial institutions of the country and the land as rapidly as possible. When they had got that measure of economic power they would want five years of Parliament in which to start to bring about the

84, and Prince Baudouin, Count of Hainault, aged 33 years.

It was officially stated last December that Princess Astrid was expecting a happy event in the spring.

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real socialisation of the industries which was necessary for the distribution of production which they were after.

In those five years they would have to produce so large a measure of socialism that they would be able to control the situation as regards all major industries.

Everything in his view would depend upon their getting through in the first five years as would enable them to retain the confidence of the people of the country.

"Nice" Dictatorship
He believed that this week the social democracy in France would disappear, and he should be the only large country with social democracy in the world.

"If we allow the present situation to go on as it is, he continued, 'we shall get one of those régimes, probably not like the Germans or the Italians, but a country gentleman dictatorship which will be all very nice but not at all pleasant for the workers. We shall get rather worse repressive measures than the present, a little less liberty here and a little less liberty there, and a general scaling down of the standard of living of the workers as in all Fascist countries.'"

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Conto Rosso, Dodwell's, March 31.
Hector, B. & S., April 1.
Resolute, Jebson's, April 3.
Eumaeus, B. & S., April 8.

Swatow.

Hai Ning, Douglas, March 20.
Hunan, B. & S., March 20.
Norviken, Jardine's, March 21.
Soochow, B. & S., March 21.
Tai Yuan, B. & S., March 21.
King Yuan, B. & S., March 23.
Teau, B. & S., March 24.
Foo Shing, Jardine's, March 25.
Hupei, B. & S., March 25.
Sandviken, Jardine's, March 28.
Sinkiang, B. & S., March 28.
Tsina, B. & S., March 28.
Kwangtung, B. & S., March 29.
Conto Rosso, Dodwell's, March 31.
Hector, B. & S., April 1.
Resolute, Jebson's, April 3.
Eumaeus, B. & S., April 8.

Shanghai and Way Ports.

Emp. of Britain, C.P.S., March 21.
Norviken, Jardine's, March 21.
Soochow, B. & S., March 21.
Tai Yuan, B. & S., March 21.
King Yuan, B. & S., March 23.
Teau, B. & S., March 24.
Foo Shing, Jardine's, March 25.
Hupei, B. & S., March 25.
Sandviken, Jardine's, March 28.
Sinkiang, B. & S., March 28.
Tsina, B. & S., March 28.
Kwangtung, B. & S., March 29.
Conto Rosso, Dodwell's, March 31.
Hector, B. & S., April 1.
Resolute, Jebson's, April 3.
Eumaeus, B. & S., April 8.

Swatow.

Hai Ning, Douglas, March 20.
Hunan, B. & S., March 20.
Norviken, Jardine's, March 21.
Soochow, B. & S., March 21.
Tai Yuan, B. & S., March 21.
King Yuan, B. & S., March 23.
Teau, B. & S., March 24.
Foo Shing, Jardine's, March 25.
Hupei, B. & S., March 25.
Sandviken, Jardine's, March 28.
Sinkiang, B. & S., March 28.
Tsina, B. & S., March 28.
Kwangtung, B. & S., March 29.
Conto Rosso, Dodwell's, March 31.
Hector, B. & S., April 1.
Resolute, Jebson's, April 3.
Eumaeus, B. & S., April 8.

Taku Bar.

Leverkusen, Jebson's, March 22.
Donau, Melchers, March 24.
Hector, B. & S., April 1.
Ermland, Jebson's, April 3.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, April 8.
Burgeland, Jebson's, April 18.
Isar, Melchers, April 19.

Tientsin.

Hunan, B. & S., March 20.
Hang Sang, Jardine's, March 37.
Resolute, Jebson's, April 3.
Hop Sang, Jardine's, April 6.

Tsingtao.
Norviken, Jardine's, March 21.
Soochow, B. & S., March 21.
Dohau, Melchers, March 24.
Foo Shing, Jardine's, March 25.
Hupei, B. & S., March 25.
Sandviken, Jardine's, March 28.
Sinkiang, B. & S., March 28.
Ermland, Jebson's, April 3.
Saarbruecken, Melchers, April 8.
Isar, Melchers, April 19.

Wei Hai Wei.
Hunan, B. & S., March 20.

EASTWARD.

FROM HONG KONG TO N. AND SOUTH AMERICA

Balboa.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., March 20.
Resolute, Jebson's, April 3.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 10.

Baltimore.
Niel Maersk, Jebson's, March 21.
Maron, B. & S., April 10.

Boston and New York.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., March 20.
Emp. of Britain, C.P.S., March 21.
Niel Maersk, Jebson's, March 21.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar's, March 31.
Resolute, Jebson's, April 3.
Maron, B. & S., April 10.

Cristobal.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., March 20.

Honolulu.
Emp. of Britain, C.P.S., March 21.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., March 21.
Pres. Coolidge, Dollar's, March 24.
Resolute, Jebson's, April 3.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 4.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., April 6.
Pres. Taft, Dollar's, April 10.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 10.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar's, April 21.

Los Angeles.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., March 21.
Asia, Manner's, March 25.
Cornville, Bank Line, March 26.
Niel Maersk, Jebson's, March 31.
Resolute, Jebson's, April 3.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 4.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 10.

Mexico.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 10.

Panama.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., March 20.
Emp. of Britain, C.P.S., March 21.
Niel Maersk, Jebson's, March 31.
Resolute, Jebson's, April 3.

Philadelphia.
Niel Maersk, Jebson's, March 31.
Maron, B. & S., April 10.

Portland.
Cornville, Bank Line, March 26.

Puget Sound.
Cornville, Bank Line, March 26.

San Francisco.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., March 20.
Emp. of Britain, C.P.S., March 21.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., March 21.
Pres. Coolidge, Dollar's, March 24.
Asia, Manner's, March 25.
Cornville, Bank Line, March 26.
Niel Maersk, Jebson's, March 31.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 4.
Pres. Taft, Dollar's, April 10.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 10.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar's, April 21.

Seattle.
Asia, Manner's, March 25.
Proteus, B. & S., March 29.
Pres. Jackson, A.M. Lines, March 30.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, April 13.
Ixion, B. & S., April 19.
Pres. Grant, A.M. Line, April 27.

Vancouver, B.C.
Empress of Russia, C.P.S., March 23.
Asia, Manner's, March 25.
Proteus, B. & S., March 29.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., April 6.
Ixion, B. & S., April 19.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., April 20.

Victoria, B.C.
Empress of Russia, C.P.S., March 23.
Proteus, B. & S., March 29.
Pres. Jackson, A.M. Lines, March 30.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., April 6.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, April 13.
Ixion, B. & S., April 19.
Pres. Grant, A.M. Line, April 27.

WESTWARD.

FROM HONG KONG TO EUROPE, AFRICA, ETC.

Aden.
Chitral, P. & O., March 24.
Felix Roussel, Messageries, March 27.
Memnon, B. & S., March 28.
Burdwan, P. & O., March 31.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 31.
Ranchi, P. & O., April 7.
Porthos, Messageries, April 10.
Antenor, B. & S., April 11.
Carthage, P. & O., April 21.
Ajax, B. & S., April 25.
Somali, P. & O., April 28.

Alexandria.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar's, March 31.

Algeria.
Delhi, Gilman's, April 2.

Amsterdam.
Alster, Melchers, March 22.
Delhi, Gilman's, April 2.

Antwerp.
Tourane, Thoresen's, March 24.
Burdwan, P. & O., March 31.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 31.
Somali, P. & O., April 28.

Barcelona.
Alster, Melchers, March 22.
Tourane, Thoresen's, March 24.
Fulda, Melchers, April 8.

Bombay.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., March 29.
Burdwan, P. & O., March 31.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar's, March 31.
Somali, P. & O., April 28.

Boston and New York.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., March 20.
Emp. of Britain, C.P.S., March 21.
Niel Maersk, Jebson's, March 31.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar's, March 31.
Resolute, Jebson's, April 3.
Maron, B. & S., April 10.

Bremen.
Alster, Melchers, March 22.
Grandon, Melchers, April 3.
Fulda, Melchers, April 8.

Calcutta.
Ho Sang, Jardine's, March 24.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., March 29.
Santhia, B.I. (Apar), April 1.
Kun Sang, Jardine's, April 7.
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., April 8.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., April 15.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apar), April 29.

Casablanca.
Philoctetes, B. & S., March 22.
Tourane, Thoresen's, March 24.
Burdwan, P. & O., March 31.
Diomed, B. & S., April 18.
Somali, P. & O., April 28.

Cebu.
Philoctetes, B. & S., March 22.
Tourane, Thoresen's, March 24.
Burdwan, P. & O., March 31.
Diomed, B. & S., April 18.
Somali, P. & O., April 28.

Colon.
Muensterland, Jebson's, March 20.
Alster, Melchers, March 22.
Chitral, P. & O., March 24.
Felix Roussel, Messageries, March 27.
Burdwan, P. & O., March 31.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 31.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar's, March 31.
Nordmark, Jebson's, April 2.
Grandon, Melchers, April 3.
Ranchi, P. & O., April 7.
Fulda, Melchers, April 8.
Porthos, Messageries, April 10.
Antenor, B. & S., April 11.
Carthage, P. & O., April 21.
Ajax, B. & S., April 25.
Somali, P. & O., April 28.

Copenhagen.
Chitral, P. & O., March 24.
Ranchi, P. & O., April 7.
Carthage, P. & O., April 21.

Dover.
Fulda, Melchers, April 8.

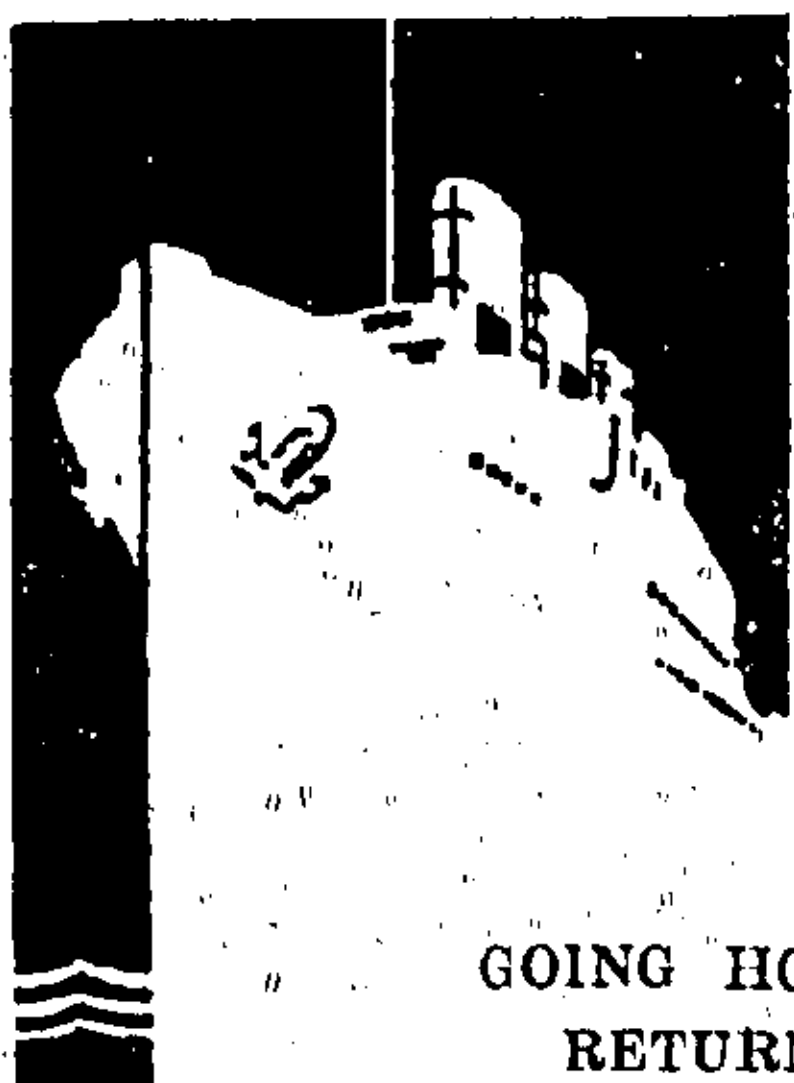
Frankfurt.
Felix Roussel, Messageries, March 27.
Porthos, Messageries, April 10.

Hamburg.
Muensterland, Jebson's, March 20.
Alster, Melchers, March 22.
Chitral, P. & O., March 24.
Felix Roussel, Messageries, March 27.
Burdwan, P. & O., March 31.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 31.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar's, March 31.
Nordmark, Jebson's, April 2.
Grandon, Melchers, April 3.
Ranchi, P. & O., April 7.
Fulda, Melchers, April 8.
Porthos, Messageries, April 10.
Antenor, B. & S., April 11.
Carthage, P. & O., April 21.
Ajax, B. & S., April 25.
Somali, P. & O., April 28.

Hankow.
Muensterland, Jebson's, March 20.
Alster, Melchers, March 22.
Chitral, P. & O., March 24.
Felix Roussel, Messageries, March 27.
Burdwan, P. & O., March 31.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 31.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar's, March 31.
Nordmark, Jebson's, April 2.
Grandon, Melchers, April 3.
Ranchi, P. & O., April 7.
Fulda, Melchers, April 8.
Porthos, Messageries, April 10.
Antenor, B. & S., April 11.
Carthage, P. & O., April 21.
Ajax, B. & S., April 25.
Somali, P. & O., April 28.

Hankow.
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Nordmark, Jebson's, April 2.
Grandon, Melchers, April 3.
Ranchi, P. & O., April 7.
Fulda, Melchers, April 8.
Porthos, Messageries, April 10.
Antenor, B. & S., April 11.
Carthage, P. & O., April 21.
Ajax, B. & S., April 25.
Somali, P. & O., April 28.

Hankow.
Muensterland, Jebson's, March 20.
Alster, Melchers, March 22



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CHICHIBU MARU ... Wednesday, 4th Apr. at 10 a.m.

TATSUTA MARU ... Wednesday, 18th Apr. at 10 a.m.

SEATTLE & VANCOUVER.

HIYE MARU ... (Starts from Kobe) Saturday, 7th Apr.

HEIAN MARU ... (Starts from Kobe) Monday, 30th Apr.

LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM

HAKEONE MARU ... Saturday, 31st Mar.

SUWA MARU ... Saturday, 14th Apr.

FUSHIMI MARU ... Saturday, 28th Apr.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila and Porto.

ATSUTA MARU ... Saturday, 24th Mar.

KAWO MARU ... Saturday, 28th Apr.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

TOTTORI MARU ... Thursday, 28th Mar.

NAGATO MARU ... Friday, 6th Apr.

TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 11th Apr.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

RAKUYO MARU ... Monday, 10th Apr.

NEW YORK via Panama.

LISBON MARU ... Wednesday, 21st Mar.

TOBA MARU ... Wednesday, 19th Apr.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus, Genoa and Valencia.

LIMA MARU ... Monday, 18th Apr.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

BENGAL MARU ... Thursday, 28th Mar.

YAMAGATA MARU ... Sunday, 24th Mar.

PENANG MARU ... Sunday, 15th Apr.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

KAMO MARU (Nagasaki direct) ... Thursday, 22nd Mar. at Midnight

GINYO MARU ... Monday, 26th Mar.

HAKOZAKI MARU ... Friday, 30th Mar.

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Leave HONG KONG	Arrive NAGASAKI	STEAMERS	Leave NAGASAKI	Arrive HONG KONG
May 18	May 27	Aramis	May 31	June 9
June 18	June 24	André Lebon	June 28	July 7
June 18	June 24	Felix Roussel	July 11	July 17
July 12	July 11	Chomacassan	July 28	July 31
July 12	July 22	D'Arctagnan	Aug. 9	Aug. 14
July 22	Aug. 5	Atchou II	Aug. 23	Aug. 28
Aug. 12	Aug. 10	Aramis	Sept. 6	Sept. 11
Aug. 24	Sept. 2	André Lebon	Sept. 20	Sept. 25
Sept. 9	Sept. 16	Felix Roussel	Oct. 4	Oct. 9

RATES OF PASSAGE

HONG KONG to NAGASAKI

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class	4th Class
Single	\$135	\$85	\$50	\$30
Round Trip	\$220	\$130	\$85	—

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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Clearances,
Ships in Harbour, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS

IMPORTS 12,000 TONS;
THROUGH CARGO
15,600 TONS

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:

British	Cargo for H.K.	Through Ports
Allport, Shanghai	33	2,000
Kum Sang, Singapore	1,361	1,511
Foo Shing, Swatow	470	1,281
Soochow, Swatow	150	130
Szechuen, Canton	—	1,200
Kalgan, Swatow	1,274	—
Hai Ning, Swatow	300	—
	3,588	6,102

Dutch	Amoy	95	945
Tjlsadane, Amoy	95	945	
Norwegian	Tai Yang, Manila	10	6,100
	10	6,100	

French	C. Henri Riviere, Pakhoi	1,600	1,600
	1,600	1,600	
Portuguese	Ou Chao, K. C. Wan	198	—
	198	—	

Japanese	Taiyo Maru, Kobe	370	—
	Toyahiko Maru, Otam	5,940	—
	6,310	—	

Chinese	Yushun, Shanghai	215	820
	Tung Cheng, Canton	—	67
	215	887	
Total	12,016	15,634	

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:

Kum Sang (Br.), Singapore	89
Foo Shing (Br.), Swatow	3
Soochow (Br.), Swatow	122
Szechuen (Br.), Canton	28
Hai Ning (Br.), Swatow	476
Tjlsadane (Dut.), Amoy	522
Com. Henri Riviere (Fr.), Pakhoi	129
Yushun (Ch.), Shanghai	359
Total	1,728

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were:

	Arr.	Dep.
British	7	7
Dutch	1	0
Norwegian	1	5
French	1	0
Portuguese	1	0
Japanese	2	2
Chinese	2	0
Total	15	14

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

Wharves.	
Kowloon—Taiyo Maru, Kum Sang.	
China Merchants—Yushun.	
Jardine Matheson's—Foo Shing.	

ARRIVALS

March 19.	
Kung Ping, Chinese str., 1,742 tons, Captain S. P. Teng, from Swatow, C.M.S.N. Wharf.	
C.M.S.N. & Co.	
Humburg Maru, Japanese str., 3,158 tons, Captain T. Urayama, from Moji, buoy No. A15—O.S.K.	
Tai Yuan, British str., 2,100 tons, Captain J. K. Clark, from Amoy, buoy No. B21—B. & S.	
Kamo, British str., 725 tons, Captain R. C. Greer, from Tong-sha Roads, Yaumati—Williamson & Co.	
Anhui, British str., 2,080 tons, Captain J. D. Whyte, from Holhow, buoy No. B3—B. & S.	
Hermod, Norwegian str., 840 tons, Captain Ellassen, from Swatow, buoy No. B9—Thoresen & Co.	
Hunan, British str., 1,621 tons, Captain J. Beck, from Canton, Stonecutters—B. & S.	
Clara, Jebsen, Danish str., 1,145 tons, Captain K. Dahl, from Saigon, buoy No. B10—Yuen On & Co.	

March 18.	
Tung Cheng, Chinese str., 1,219 tons, Captain M. Plaskin, from Canton, Yaumati—Thoresen & Co.	
Toyohiko Maru No. 2, Japanese str., 3,305 tons, Captain O. Mishimoto, from Otaru, buoy No. B25—M.S.K.	
Taiyo Maru, Japanese str., 8,523 tons, Captain Y. Tomloka, from Kobe, Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.	
C. Henri Riviere, French str., 1,355 tons, Captain P. B. Morganti, from Pakhoi, buoy No. A5—Sing Kee & Co.	
Tjlsadane, Dutch str., 5,779 tons, Captain J. J. Blankert, from Amoy, buoy No. A3—J.C.J.L.	
Kalgan, British str., 1,356 tons, Captain C. Stringer, from Swatow, buoy No. B14—B. & S.	
Foo Shing, British str., 1,423 tons, Captain R. C. Thompson, from Swatow, West Point Wharf—J.M. & Co.	
Kum Sang, British str., 3,341 tons, Captain W. Field Hook, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—J.M. & Co.	
Allport, British str., 3,241 tons, Captain E. F. Hannan, from Shanghai, buoy No. A7—M.M. & Co.	
Wing Lee, British str., 651 tons, Captain J. E. Harvey, from Holhow, buoy No. B5—Tai Fung & Co.	
Hermes, Dutch str., 2,313 tons, Captain E. G. van Berde, from Balikpapan, North Point—A.P.C.	

March 17.	
Tangshan Maru, Japanese str., 1,285 tons, Captain K. Kaihotsu, from Keelung, Yaumati—N.Y.K.	
Douglas Laprak—Hai Ning.	
Salkong—Ou Chao.	
Chiu On—Hydrangea.	

March 16.	
Kowloon—Yat Shing, Tin Yat, Silver Cypress, Scalaria, Engadine.	
Talkoo—H.M.S. Proteus, Wing Wo, Tchekam, Sunning.	

Boats.	
No. A1—Empress of Britain.	
No. A3—Tjlsadane.	
No. A4—Mary Moller.	
No. A5—Com. Henri Riviere.	
No. A7—Allport.	
No. A8—Penang Maru.	
No. B4—Ardent.	
No. B5—Wing Lee.	
No. B11—Helkon.	
No. B12—Solvik.	
No. B14—Kalgan.	
No. B17—Marly.	
No. B22—Hin Sang.	
No. B25—Toyahiko Maru.	
No. B26—Tinhov.	
No. C1—Havdrot.	

VESSELS DUE

Achilles, B. & S., March 25.	
Alster, Melchers, March 25.	
Anna Maarak, Jensen's, March 24.	
Antenor, B. & S., April 1.	
Asia, Manner's, March 24.	
Astoria Maru, N.Y.K., March 23.	
Atrous, B. & S., April 3.	
Bangalore, P. & O., April 17.	
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., March 28.	
Bennevis, Gibbs, March 28.	
Burgoland, Jensen's, April 18.	
Burdwan, P. & O., March 30.	
Carthage, P. & O., March 22.	
Changie, B. & S., April 9.	
Chenonceaux, Messageries, April 8.	
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., March 30.	
Chitral, P. & O., March 23.	
Chile, Manners, March 21.	
City of Bagdad, Bank Line, April 9.	
Conte Rosso, Doddwell's, March 31.	
Corneville, Bank Line, March 25.	
Cortu, P. & O., April 18.	
Delhi, Gilman's, April 2.	
Donau, Melchers, April 24.	
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., April 12.	
Empress of Russia, C.P.S., March 21.	
Ermland, Jensen's, April 3.	
Eunau, B. & S., April 8.	
Felix Roussel, Messageries, March 27.	
Ginjo Maru, N.Y.K., March 25.	
Grunden, Melchers, April 2.	
Hai Ching, Douglas, March 26.	
Hai Yang, Douglas, March 22.	
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., March 30.	
Hector, B. & S., March 31.	
Hermod, Thoresen's, March 23.	
Hiran, Thoresen's, March 30.	
Isar, Melchers, April 19.	
Ixion, B. & S., April 11.	
Jutlandia, Manners, March 29.	
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., March 22.	
Kiungchow, B. & S., March 20.	
Loverkussen, Jensen's, March 22.	
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., April 15.	
Mayebashi Maru, N.Y.K., March 29.	
Menon, B. & S., March 28.	
Meneathus, B. & S., April 13.	
Mentor, B. & S., April 1.	
Mulman, Manners, March 21.	
Muroran Maru, N.Y.K., March 27.	
Nagara, Gilman's, March 23.	
Naldora, P. & O., April 4.	
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., March 28.	
Nordmark, Jensen's, April 2.	
Panama, Manner's, April 8.	
Philoctetes, B. & S., March 26.	
Porthea, Messageries, March 26.	
Pres. Coolidge, Dollar's, March 23.	
Pres. Garfield, Dollar's, April 13.	
Pres. Grant, A.M. Line, April 12.	
Pres. Hoover, Dollar's, April 12.	
Pres. Jackson, A.M. Line, March 23.	
Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, April 6.	
Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, April 30.	
Pres. Polk, Dollar's, April 27.	

CLEARANCES

March 19.	
Wing Lee, for Canton.	
Tung Cheng, for Samarinda.	
Marly, for Bangkok.	
Foo Shing, for Canton.	
Hydrangea, for Swatow.	
Allport, for Singapore.	
Taiyo Maru, for Shanghai.	
Anhui, for Amoy.	
Kung Ping, for Canton.	
Tai Yuan, for Canton.	

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS

The (Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents), P. & O. s.s. "Somali" left Singapore for this port on the 16th instant at noon, and is due here on the 20th instant at about noon.

The (Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents), P. & O. s.s. "Carthage" left Singapore for this port on the 17th instant at noon with the outward English Mails, and is due here on the 22nd instant at about 8 a.m.

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"RAJPUTANA"	17,000	14th July	Bombay, Marseilles and London
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